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9/16/58

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-135-63)

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-5755)

BOMBING OF JEWISH CENTER SYNOGUE
AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL,
SOUTH JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, 4/26/58
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ReButel 9/15/58.

Enclosed for Charlotte are photographs of [redacted] and KENNETH CHESTER GRIFFIN. Care should be used in exhibiting photographs to CE informant not to identify [redacted] as AT informant, should it develop informant is a plant. Photographs should be returned to Atlanta when they have served purpose.

It will be noted that on the weekend of 4/26/58-4/27/58, there was considerable racial tension in Atlanta due to the picketing of a community previously all white but where house had been sold to a Negro. [redacted] submitted a report reflecting coverage of the picketing on Saturday night. Informant covered and reported on meeting of State Officers of U. S. Rians in Atlanta on the afternoon of 4/27/58 and then his reports indicate he resumed coverage of the racial incident as his report shows incident he observed between 4 and 4:30 p.m. on 4/27/58. Informant submitted a typewritten report covering the above on the morning of 4/28/58.

[redacted] advises state meeting adjourned about 4 p.m., 4/27/58.

- 3 - Bureau (100-135-63)(RM)
- 2 - Charlotte (44-444)(encls-2)(RM)
- 2 - Jacksonville (105-64)(RM)
- ② - Atlanta (100-5755)

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[redacted] Atlanta's top Klan informant, furnished detailed report but failed to show time meeting ended. He orally advised it ended during late afternoon and he is trying to recall time, inquiry continuing.

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TO SACS, ATLANTA, CHARLOTTE, AND JACKSONVILLE
FROM DIRECTOR 2P

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✓ BOMBING OF JEWISH CENTER SYNGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON
HIGH SCHOOL, BOTH JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, APRIL TWO EIGHT, ONE
NINE FIVE EIGHT, INFORMATION CONCERNING, INTERNAL SECURITY.
REBUTEL SEPTEMBER ONE TWO, LAST, ATLANTA TEL SEPTEMBER ONE TWO,
LAST, AND CHARLOTTE TEL SEPTEMBER ONE THREE, LAST. ATLANTA
IMMEDIATELY FURNISH PHOTOGRAPHS OF [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] TO CHARLOTTE FOR EXHIBITION [REDACTED]

IN EFFORT TO DETERMINE WHETHER INFORMANT CAN POSITIVELY IDENTIFY
THEM AS INDIVIDUALS REFERRED TO BY CHILDERS PAREN CHILDSOON END
PAREN. CHARLOTTE SUTEL BUREAU AND INTERESTED OFFICES RESULTS
OF EXHIBITION PHOTOGRAPHS TO [REDACTED]

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RE ATLANTA TEL REFLECTS [REDACTED] ATTENDED KLAN MEETING
IN ATLANTA AFTERNOON OF APRIL TWO SEVEN, ONE NINE FIVE EIGHT,
BUT DOES NOT INDICATE WHEN MEETING ENDED. ATLANTA ADVISE
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*As per directed
by phone. 9/15/58*

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EXACT TIME MEETING ENDED AND WHETHER CHILDSOON REPORTED AS BEING
IN ATTENDANCE. IF POSSIBLE THAT [REDACTED] COULD HAVE
ATTENDED MEETING AND THEREAFTER TRAVELED TO JACKSONVILLE IN
TIME TO PARTICIPATE IN BOMBINGS, MANDATORY ATLANTA CHECK
FURTHER TO PIN DOWN [REDACTED] WHEREABOUTS LATE AFTERNOON
AND EVENING APRIL TWO SEVEN. QUESTION OF [REDACTED]
POSSIBLE PARTICIPATION IN BOMBINGS MUST BE POSITIVELY RESOLVED.
JACKSONVILLE WITHHOLD FURNISHING INFORMATION TO JACKSONVILLE
POLICE DEPARTMENT RE POSSIBLE INVOLVEMENT CHILDSOON, [REDACTED] AND
[REDACTED] PAREN OR [REDACTED] END PAREN IN JACKSONVILLE BOMBINGS
PENDING FURTHER INQUIRY BY ATLANTA AND CHARLOTTE IN THIS
MATTER. COPIES MAILED BIRMINGHAM.

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URGENT 9-13-58 1-13 PM CAB

TO DIRECTOR, FBI, AND SAC-S ATLANTA AND JACKSONVILLE

FROM SAC, CHARLOTTE 1 P

BOMBING OF JEWISH CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON JACKSON HIGH SCHOOL, BOTH JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, APRIL TWO EIGHT, ONE NINE FIVE EIGHT, INFORMATION CONCERNING, IS. REBUTEL SEPTEMBER

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TWELVE. [REDACTED] RECONTACTED TODAY. STATES

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CHILDERS STATED THE [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] IN ATTENDANCE AT NSRP

MEETING IN LOUISVILLE AUGUST THIRTY AND THIRTY ONE, NINETEEN

FIFTY EIGHT, WERE THE ONES WHO HAD PARTICIPATED WITH CHILDERS

IN BOMBINGS. CHILDERS SAID THEY ARE NOW QUOTE ON OUTS UNQUOTE

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WITH HIM BECAUSE HE HAD LEFT THEIR ORGANIZATION AND GONE OVER

TO BILL HENDRIX. NO DETAILS FURNISHED OF ACTUAL PROCEDURE IN

ALLEGED BOMBINGS. INFORMANT STATES [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] AT NSRP

MEETING IN LOUISVILLE DESCRIBED - [REDACTED]

ATLANTA

WILL BE FURNISHED IDENTITY OF [REDACTED] BY LETTER.

COPY BEING MAILED BIRMINGHAM.

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11-59PM RDH

TO DIRECTOR, FBI, AND SACS ATLANTA AND JACKSONVILLE

FROM SAC CHARLOTTE 1 P

BOMBING OF JEWISH CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMSS WELDON ^{37 7} J8898 HIGH
SCHOOL, BOTH JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, APRIL TWO EIGHT, ONE NINE FIVE
EIGHT, INFORMATION CONCERNING, INTERNAL SECURITY. REBUTEL

SEPTEMBER TWELVE. POSSIBILITY SUGGESTED [REDACTED] MAY
BE IDENTICAL [REDACTED] TAMPA, MENTIONED LETTERHEAD
MEMO SENT WITH CELET MAY TWENTY SEVEN THIS CASE, NO COPY OF WHICH
SENT ATLANTA. ALSO NOTE CE ARITEL JUNE EIGHTEEN REFLECTS
FRANK GASTON STATED [REDACTED] AND ONE ROPER RESPONSIBLE FOR
BOMBINGS. EFFORTS BEING MADE TO RECONTACT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND RESULTS WILL BE FURNISHED. COPY BEING MAILED BIRMINGHAM
CORR LINE 1 SHOU READ JAMES WELDON JOHNSON LINE 6 LAST S WOR WHICH.
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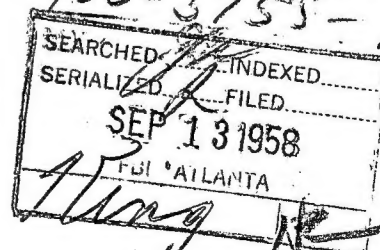
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Date: 9-12-58

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC-S CHARLOTTE AND JACKSONVILLE

FROM SAC, ATLANTA

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BOMBING OF JEWISH CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL, BOTH JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, APRIL TWO EIGHT, ONE NINE FIVE EIGHT, INFORMATION CONCERNING, INTERNAL SECURITY. REBUTEL SEPT. TWELVE LAST. AS PREVIOUSLY ADVISED KENNETH CHESTER GRIFFIN ACCOMPANIED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PAREN TO NATIONAL CONVENTION OF NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY, LOUISVILLE, KY., AUGUST THIRTY, THIRTYONE, LAST. REVIEW OF INFORMANT-S FILE REFLECTS ON APRIL TWENTY EIGHT LAST REPORT SUBMITTED BY HIM COVERING MEETING STATE OFFICERS, U. S. KLAN, IN ATLANTA ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON APRIL TWENTY SEVEN, LAST.

[REDACTED] PRESENCE AT THIS MEETING VERIFIED BY REPORT SUBMITTED BY [REDACTED] ATLANTA-S TOP KLAN

INFORMANT. [REDACTED] ALSO COVERED STATE MEETING APRIL TWENTY SEVEN LAST AND REPORTED ABOUT ONE THREE ZERO REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT. REPORT SUBMITTED BY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IS IN GENERAL AGREEMENT WITH REPORTS OF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] AS TO WHAT TRANSPIRED AT KLAN MEETING. CE REQUESTED TO CONFIDENTALLY ADVISE IDENTITY OF [REDACTED] INCLUDING NAME USED

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Approved: _____

Special Agent in Charge

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IN LOUISVILLE FOR COMPARISON WITH REPORTS SUBMITTED BY [REDACTED]
ON NSRP CONVENTION. SUGGESTED UACB JACKSONVILLE NOT FURNISH INFO
TO JACKSONVILLE PD PENDING FURTHER INVESTIGATION IN ORDER TO
PREVENT JEOPARDISING [REDACTED] SINCE IT DOES
NOT SEEM REASONABLE AT THIS TIME THAT HE COULD HAVE BEEN IN
JACKSONVILLE TWELVE THIRTY AM APRIL TWENTY EIGHT LAST WHEN
BOMBING OCCURRED.

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Special Agent in Charge

URGENT 9-12-58 8-04 PM JG

TO - SACS JACKSONVILLE -CHARLOTTE AND ATLANTA

FROM - DIRECTOR 2P

BOMBING OF JEWISH CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL, BOTH JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, APRIL TWO EIGHT, ONE NINE FIVE EIGHT, INFORMATION CONCERNING, INTERNAL SECURITY. RE CHARLOTTE AIRTEL SEPTEMBER EIGHT, LAST. JACKSONVILLE FURNISH PERTINENT DATA REAIRTEL TO APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS JACKSONVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT. FURNISH IN SUCH MANNER AS TO FULLY PROTECT INFORMANT. SINCE BUREAU NOT INVESTIGATING BOMBINGS, DO NOT CONDUCT ANY INVESTIGATION IN ABSENCE OF SPECIFIC REQUEST FROM JACKSONVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO VERIFY ACCURACY OF INFORMATION REAIRTEL. IF SPECIFIC REQUEST FOR INVESTIGATION RECEIVED FROM JACKSONVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT, ESSENTIAL YOU AFFORD SUCH INVESTIGATION CONTINUOUS AND PREFERRED ATTENTION. BUFILES REFLECT CHILDERS PROBABLY IDENTICAL H. H. CHILDSO. ATLANTA REVIEW PERTINENT FILES TO IDENTIFY

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*SA King
advised 9/12/58
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PAREN OR [REDACTED] END PAREN.

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BY CHILDSOON AND IF IN FACT HE DID PARTICIPATE IN BOMBINGS.
ADVISE BUREAU EXPEDITIOUSLY RESULTS OF FILE REVIEW AND INQUIRIES
RE [REDACTED] IN VIEW OF POSSIBILITY [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] MAY HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN BOMBINGS, CHARLOTTE
IMMEDIATELY REINTERVIEW [REDACTED] FOR ANY
FURTHER DETAILS OR SPECIFICS HIS POSSESSION. SUTEL RESULTS OF
RECONTACT TO BUREAU AND ATLANTA. IF AVAILABLE, JACKSONVILLE
FURNISH PHOTO OF CHILDSOON TO CHARLOTTE FOR EXHIBITION TO INFORMANT.
JACKSONVILLE PROMPTLY ADVISE BUREAU AND INTERESTED OFFICES RESULTS
OF CONTACT WITH JACKSONVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT. COPIES MAILED TO
BIRMINGHAM. FOR INFORMATION BIRMINGHAM, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] HAS FURNISHED INFORMATION INDICATING CHILDSOON AND TWO
INDIVIDUALS FROM ATLANTA NAMED [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] PAREN OR
[REDACTED] END PAREN RESPONSIBLE FOR CAPTIONED BOMBINGS.

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"National Anti- Jewish Party (N.S.R.P.) Aug. 14/58

"I visited WALLACE ALLEN at his residence at 10 P. M. Aug 13/58, we were outside in his car, having talked a very few minutes when RICHARD BOLING, and a woman dressed in black, with a broken foot, using crutches drove up. RICHARD was driving a black Plymouth license # 1-92953, (this tag was issued to RICHARD BOLING at 1206 Peachtree st. this is the address of Mrs. L. A. STOCKING, TR-5-2951) The woman, who was referred to by RICHARD as his girl friend, was very unattractive and slovenly, she went in the Allen residence, and RICHARD and WALLACE and myself drove to the Seven Steers restaurant in Buckhead. WALLACE always (usually) stops there to buy an expensive cigar, sealed in the plastic tube, (50 each plus tax.). While we were parked there in the lot, ROBERT BOLING drove up and parked beside us, he was driving a Hudson, tan or buff body, with a cream top, license # 1-74876. This car is registered in the name of ROBERT N. THOMPSON as a 1953 Coupe. This car looked like a sedan to me, however I'm not familiar with the way cars are listed ect. It was definitely a sedan, rather than a coupe. This car appeared to have an Oldsmobile, or Chevrolet Grill, however not being familiar with the Hudson cars I could be mistaken.

"We talked at length there and went to 'Rustys', where we talked futher.

(a) The 'Free to Speak' program on W.A.G.A. at 8 PM each night is being used nightly by WALLACE ALLEN, GEORGE BRIGHT, The BOLING Boys, and other Nationalists for propaganda purposes. They call the station, sometimes posing as Jews, and get an argument started. All statements are broadcast. Some of this group which are called 'Perovatuers' call the station each night and sound off on the Jewish Question. Someone will call tonight stating that the A.D.L. is meeting instead of the Bi-N 10 Brith, Accusing the Jews of lying.

(b) They intend to get out more posters, like the posters in the post office posted by the F.B.I. on wanted criminals. They say they will get front and side views of all Jewish leaders, particularly A.D.L. men, city detectives, police, ect and post in various places. They said when the day comes (RICHARD) these posters will be circulated and the headquarters of the Jews will be the first raided and the leaders taken out and (12913) DocId: 70001561 Page 13

[REDACTED]

(c) RICHARD and ROBERT told of going in Country Restaurants and talking up the Jewish question. Said they had books of names of good solid country folks that could be depended on, 'when the day comes'. When he said this he looked at WALLACE, and said 'You know what I mean.'

(d) WALLACE said we would have to set up some system of 'trials' for people suspected of spying in the government. ROBERT said that in time of war spies were shot, and that we were in war in every sense of the word and that the spies would have to go.

"We went back to WALLACE's house and listened to a recording of MURDINE and VENABLE speaking on the radio about the picketing case.

"I read a transcript of the trial.

"GEO. BRIGHT told me previously, that RICHARD BOLING was to go to Florida this weekend to meet with 'The order of The Rattlesnake' BILL HENDRICKS, Group. I understood that the meeting was to be held Friday night.

"I was told by BRIGHT that ED FIELDS was burning up the wires trying to locate BRANHAM. Said he had called everyone here up through Monday. [REDACTED] told me via telephone that BILLY had gone off and had not told her when he planned to return. Said she was worried about BILLY being in trouble as she had such high hopes for BILLY in the Church programs. Said he had letters there that had come since he left, from, Mrs. OLA EDWARDS, THOMPSON, Mich, ED FIELDS, Louisville, Ky. and a letter from Los Angeles, California, P. O. Box 27895, zone 27, a letter from Nashville, Tenn. with the initials E. L. A. observed.

Aug 14/68"

"BILL OWEN:: 1116 Boulevard dr. N.E. Atlanta, Works NC & STL
DORIS OWEN, wife B. F. GOODRICH TR 8-4561

"Listed in City Directory as LUCIUS B. OWEN, age 40 next birthday.

"I called Mrs. OWEN to see when I could talk to BILL, I did not tell he who I was. She said she was resentful of so many people calling BILL and trying to get him in trouble. She said if I was a friend of JERRY EASTLING or friend of his friends not to bother BILL. She said they were trying to move out of the community anyway. I thanked her. She told me that Northeast Inc. listed on the poster on the lawn as Ja 5-2138 was in the name of CARL BLEDSOE, who is vacationing in Fla. at this time. I had difficulty dialing the number."

"In the general discussion with ALLEN and the BOLING boys, they discussed some men who had been acquitted in the Carolinas in the past few days for the Dynamiting in that area. A recall a nean as BENNETT, BUNNETT, BARNETT,... Anyway they were laughing about it and stated that the men were present at a Nationalist Meeting in Knoxville, Tenn. WALLACE said they must have heard some good speeches and went out to action. Or that must have been what the law thought. He stated that a detective car pulled in his driveway after he had returned from the meeting.

"This dynamiting took place a day or so after the meeting according to the conversation.

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[REDACTED]

"WALLACE stated that both the Communists and the Nationalists wanted to push intergration, as they felt it would cause turmoil and arouse the 'GoIn'. He said the common people could be best reached and goaded into action when aroused and in unsettled conditions. As I gathered it, they would push for intergration while actually being ideologically against it, solely for the purpose to gain from the trouble as a result.

"BRANHAM arrived in Louisville & went on to Detroit, Mich. Supposed to be there now.

"ED FIELDS has had his phone # changed to an unlisted #, the new number is Highland - 5893."

9/17/58

AIR-TEL

AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-135-63)

FROM: SAC, KNOXVILLE (105-223)

BOMBING OF JEWISH CENTER SYNAGOGUE
AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL,
BOTH JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, 4/28/58
INFORMATION CONCERNING - INTERNAL SECURITY

Re Bureau air-tel to Jacksonville, et al, 9/16/58.

Photograph of ROBERT ALEXANDER, FBI #1589173, wa.,
Harley Hanson Childson, forwarded to Charlotte by air-tel
9/15/58.

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- 3 - Bureau
- 1 - Jacksonville (105-64)
- 1 - Miami
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- 1 - Knoxville

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AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-135-63)
FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-5755)
SUBJECT: BOMBINGS OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH CENTER
SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON HIGH
SCHOOL, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, 4/28/58
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Re Bureau airtel 8/29/58, and Bulet 9/15/58.

[redacted] The Valdosta Daily Times Newspaper, Valdosta, Georgia, confidentially advised 9/16/58, CHARLES IVAN KELLY was employed on 4/11/57 as an apprentice printer. He advised KELLY's working hours are 7:30 AM to 3:30 PM, Monday through Saturday inclusive, and is off every Sunday since there is no Sunday edition of the paper. [redacted] discreetly ascertained from accounting records that KELLY was off on 4/27/58 (Sunday) and worked his normal shift the entire remainder of the week. He further advised that KELLY receives a one week vacation and began this vacation on 9/15/58 without being required to furnish his contemplated whereabouts during his vacation period.

The above source should be protected.

- 3 - Bureau (100-135-63) (RM)
- 2 - Jacksonville (105-64) (RM)
- ② - Atlanta (100-5755)

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Above investigation conducted by SA KENNETH A. WILLIAMS, who states [redacted] is an SAC contact and he furnished the above information without inquiring as to the reason or the nature of the inquiry, therefore, Agent WILLIAMS states it is not conceived that any criticism could result to the Bureau.

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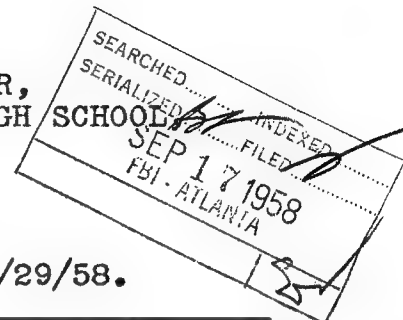
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O : SAC (100-5755)

DATE: 9/16/58

FROM : SA KENNETH A. WILLIAMS

SUBJECT: BOMBINGS OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH CENTER,
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ReBuAirtel to AT and JK, 8/29/58.

On 9/16/58, [redacted] The Valdosta

Daily Times Newspaper, Valdosta, Ga. advised ~~SAXXENITE~~ CHARLES IVAN KELLY was employed on 4/11/57, as an apprentice printer.

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BLIND: [redacted] is an SAC Contact, he furnished the above information without inquiring as to the reason or nature of the inquiry, therefore it is not conceived that any criticism could result to the Bureau.

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TO : SAC, Atlanta (100-5755)

DATE: September 15, 1958

✓FROM : Director, FBI (100-135-63)

SUBJECT: BOMBINGS OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH CENTER
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SCHOOL, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, 4/28/58
INFORMATION CONCERNING - INTERNAL SECURITY

ReBuairtel dated August 29, 1958.

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information requested reBuairtel. Submit
immediately.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-135-63)

FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-444)

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[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, on 9/6/58, advised SA JAMES M. UNDERHILL that on 8/30 and 8/31/58 one H. H. CHILDERS was in Louisville, Ky., at National Convention of National States Rights Party, in company with BILL HENDRIX of Florida. CHILDERS gave his address as 333 - 43d Avenue North, St. Petersburg, Florida.

In private conversation CHILDERS stated he had been in the U. S. Klans, but "after the bombings" got out of that organization and into organization of BILL HENDRIX. CHILDERS made statement that he and [redacted] from Atlanta did the bombings in Jacksonville, and after it was done they called a rabbi and said they were the Confederate Underground and were going to do some more.

Informant stated one [redacted] [redacted] were in Louisville for this convention, and were staying in the Henry Clay Hotel. They were not present when CHILDERS made the statement set out above.

Informant has no way of knowing whether statement by CHILDERS is true, and foregoing is submitted for information. Information should be handled very discreetly to avoid exposing informant.

CHILDERS

- 3 - Bureau (RM)
- 2 - Jacksonville (105-64)(RM)
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-135-63)

FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-444)

BOMBING OF JEWISH CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND
JAMES WELDON JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL, BOTH
JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, 4/28/58
INFORMATION CONCERNING - IS

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[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, on 9/6/58, advised SA JAMES M. UNDERHILL that on 8/30 and 8/31/58 one H. H. CHILDERS was in Louisville, Ky., at National Convention of National States Rights Party, in company with BILL HENDRIX of Florida. CHILDERS gave his address as 333 - 43d Avenue North, St. Petersburg, Florida.

In private conversation CHILDERS stated he had been in the U. S. Klans, but "after the bombings" got out of that organization and into organization of BILL HENDRIX. CHILDERS made statement that he and [redacted] from Atlanta did the bombings in Jacksonville, and after it was done they called a rabbi and said they were the Confederate Underground and were going to do some more.

Informant stated one [redacted] were in Louisville for this convention, and were staying in the Henry Clay Hotel. They were not present when CHILDERS made the statement set out above.

Informant has no way of knowing whether statement by CHILDERS is true, and foregoing is submitted for information. Information should be handled very discreetly to avoid exposing informant.

CHILERS

- 3 - Bureau (RM)
- 2 - Jacksonville (105-64)(RM)
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✓ To: SACS, Atlanta (100-5755)
 Jacksonville (105-64)

From: Director, FBI (100-135-63)

BOMBINGS OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH CENTER
 SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON HIGH
 SCHOOL, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, 4/28/58
 INFORMATION CONCERNING - INTERNAL SECURITY

Re Atlanta airtel 8/25/58.

Authority granted to check employment records,
 "Valdosta Times," providing same can be done in such a
 manner as to avoid criticism of the Bureau by the press.

This matter must receive continuous, preferred
 attention. Furnish results of inquiry promptly to Bureau
 and to Jacksonville for transmittal to Jacksonville
 Police Department.

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AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-135-63)
FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-5755)
SUBJECT: BOMBINGS OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH
CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES
WELDON JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL,
JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, 4/28/58
INFORMATION CONCERNING - IS

Remytel 8/4/58.

On 8/6/58, SA KENNETH A. WILLIAMS observed 1954 Ford, 2-door sedan, bearing 1958 Georgia License 14-3949, parked in the employee's parking lot of the Valdosta Daily Times, Valdosta, Ga. The vehicle is yellow in color, almost cream color. Additional descriptive data could not be obtained inasmuch as the car was parked in such a position that it could be observed by employees of the newspaper.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC (100-5755)

DATE: 8/6/58

FROM : SA KENNETH A. WILLIAMS

ATTN: SA HENRY KINGSUBJECT: BOMBING OF JEWISH SYNAGOGUES
AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL,
JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, 4/28/58;
INFO CONCERNING

Re Telephone call of SA HENRY KING, Atlanta, 8/5/58, concerning description of 1954 Ford, MN UL4G-144101, 1958 Ga. tag 14-3949 registered to CHARLES KELLEY, Rt 2, Valdosta, Ga.

On 8/6/58, a 1954 Ford bearing 1958 Ga. tag 14-3949, was observed by the writer parked in the employees parking lot of the Valdosta Daily Times Newspaper. It was noted that this vehicle is a 2-Dr solid light ~~tan~~ yellow in color (almost cream color). It was not possible to obtain a more complete description of the vehicle since the car was parked in a position ~~where~~ where it could be observed by employees of the newspaper, many of whom are acquainted with the writer, and the writer did not desire to cause any attention of his observation of the car.

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URGENT 8-4-58 12-15PM EST ESC

TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, JACKSONVILLE

FROM SAC, ATLANTA 2P

BOMBING OF JEWISH CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON
JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL, BOTH JACKSONVILLE, FLA., APRIL
TWENTYEIGHT INSTANT, INFORMATION CONCERNING. RE JK TEL
JULY THIRTYONE LAST. THE FOLLOWING INFO. OBTAINED BY
CHIEF WILBUR PERKERSON, NA, VALDOSTA, GA. PD, FROM LT.
R. M. ZIPPERER, VALDOSTA PD, COUSIN OF CHARLES IVAN
KELLY. ZIPPERER HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF KELLY OWNING CAR,
BUT USES NINETEEN FIFTYONE CHEVROLET FORDOR LIGHT BLUE AND
CREAM SEDAN, FIFTYEIGHT GA. LIC. ONE FOUR DASH THREE NINE
EIGHT, WHICH BELONGS TO HIS FATHER, WILLIAM MILLER KELLY,
RT. TWO, VALDOSTA, GA. ZIPPERER STATED KELLY-S REGULAR
OFF DAY IS FRIDAY, BUT NO INFO. OBTAINED CONCERNING
KELLY-S ACTIVITY DURING LATTER PART OF APRIL, FIFTYEIGHT.
NO INQUIRES WILL BE MADE AT KELLY-S PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT,
QUOTE THE VALDOSTA TIMES QUOTE UACB. GA. LICENSE TAG
END PAGE ONE

PAGE TWO

BUREAU LISTS FIFTYEIGHT GA. LICENSE ONE FOUR DASH THREE
NINE EIGHT AS ISSUED THRU W. M. KELLY, RT. TWO, VALDOSTA,
GA., ONE FIFTYONE CHEVROLET FORDOR, MN GAA ONE TWO TWO
ONE ONE THREE FOUR. NAME CHECK GA. LICENSE TAG BUREAU
REFLECTS FIFTYEIGHT GA. LIC. ONE FOUR DASH THREE NINE
FOUR NINE ISSUED MARCH ELEVEN LAST TO CHARLES KELLY, RT.
TWO, VALDOSTA, GA. ON FIFTYFOUR FORD, MN U FOUR AG ONE
FOUR FOUR ONE ZERO ONE. EFFORTS BEING MADE VALDOSTA
GA. TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL DATA RE ABOVE FIFTYFOUR FORD.

END ACK

IN ORDER

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OK FBI JK JNL

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: *J* Director, FBI (9-34154) DATE: 7/15/58
FROM: *SAH* SAC, Memphis (72-27)
SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
FEDERAL JUDGE WILLIAM E. MILLER - VICTIM
EXTORTION

OO: Memphis

Re report of SA JAMES B. HENDERSON, 3/25/58, captioned as above; report of SA JAMES B. HENDERSON, 9/20/57, at Memphis, captioned INTEGRATION IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN NASHVILLE, TENN., CR; and Birmingham Airtel to the Bureau, 6/17/58, captioned RACON, Jacksonville, Fla., Bombing of Jacksonville Jewish Center Synagogue and James Weldon Johnson High School (Negro), 4/28/58, INFO CONCERNING (IS).

It is to be noted that referenced Birmingham Airtel to the Bureau on Page 1 reveals that STONER had bragged about calling a judge in Nashville, Tenn. after the bombing of the school last fall, in which he "scared the judge so bad that the Highway Patrol was called out as a guard for the judge".

In this connection, it is to be noted that HATTIE COTTON Elementary School, Nashville, Tennessee, was dynamited at 12:33 A.M. on 9/10/57; further, that on 2/20/57, Judge WILLIAM E. MILLER, USDC, Nashville, had ordered the Board of Education to integrate grade one of elementary schools in the fall of 1957. Judge WILLIAM E. MILLER received no threatening calls after the bombing of this school and no guard of any type was placed on the judge's residence.

- 2 - Bureau
- ① - Atlanta (100-5755)(Info)
- 1 - Birmingham (62-1915)(Info)
- 1 - Jacksonville (105-64)(Info)
- 1 - Knoxville (Info)
- 1 - Mobile (Info)
- 1 - St. Louis (Info)
- 1 - Savannah (Info)
- 4 - Memphis (1- 72-27)(1- 100-3628)
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The Jewish Community Center, Nashville, Tenn., was dynamited at approximately 8:07 P.M., 3/16/58. On the same night and within approximately 30 minutes after the explosion, anonymous telephone calls were received by Mrs. WILLIAM B. SILVERMAN, wife of Rabbi SILVERMAN, and by two members of the press at Nashville, Tennessee. The anonymous caller stated that the Center had been bombed and that Judge WILLIAM E. MILLER, USDC, Nashville, would be shot down. Preliminary investigation to determine whether there was a possible violation of the Extortion Statute in connection with these threatening calls concerning Judge MILLER indicated that the three phone calls were local in nature, and the U. S. Attorney at Nashville advised that there appeared to be no violation of the Extortion Statute.

Although no threatening calls were received directly by Judge MILLER during the period after the dynamiting of the Jewish Community Center, local authorities did see fit to maintain a guard at Judge MILLER's residence for a brief time.

It is to be noted that local newspapers at Nashville, Tennessee carried front page stories for a number of days concerning the dynamiting of the Jewish Community Center and the threatening calls concerning Judge MILLER.

The above is being set out for the information of the Bureau and offices receiving copies of instant communication so that these offices will be alert for any information bearing on the Nashville cases from an intelligence standpoint.

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Date received 7-8-58	Received from (name or symbol number) [redacted]	Received by SA HENRY E. KING
Method of delivery (check appropriate blocks) ☒ in person ☐ by telephone ☐ by mail ☐ orally ☐ recording device ☒ written by Informant		
If orally furnished and reduced to writing by Agent: Date _____ Dictated _____ to _____ Transcribed _____ Authenticated by Informant _____		Date of Report 7-8-58 Date(s) of activity 7-8-58
Brief description of activity or material Conversation with [redacted] concerning Bombings-		File where original is located if not attached [redacted]
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"Telephone conversation with [redacted]
July 8/58 re Christian Anti-Jewish Party-Klan.

[redacted] Called today, said the man responsible for the bombings in Florida was a man named 'STONER'. He asked me if the Klan had not had some trouble with this man in the past. I told him I was relatively new in the Klan and that the name did not ring a bell at all. He said that STONERS ideals were good and his judgement sound, but he needed some guidance and leadership. He said he especially needed some instructions in handling demolitions. I asked who the others were and he said he didn't have the names handy. He said STONER worked in and out of Atlanta, with the assistance of his wife.

[redacted]

Said we would get together next week.

"Said he wanted to get together with [redacted] and I told him for us to get together first and plan on the best approach. I reminded him that he being a Catholic might not get to far and we might be better off to work it some other way. My chief reason was to keep he and [redacted] apart at this particular time, as I did not want [redacted] passing any of his suspicions about me to [redacted] I think I can prevent a meeting.

July 8/58

[redacted] Referred to STONERS Party as the 'Christian anti-Jewish Party. I reacted as if I had never heard of it."

August 15, 1958

Airtel

To: SACs, Jacksonville (105-64)
Atlanta (100-5755)

From: Director, FBI (100-135-63)

BOMBINGS OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND
JAMES WELDON JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, 4/28/58
INFORMATION CONCERNING - IS

Re Atlanta airtel 8-8-58.

Jacksonville furnish pertinent information
contained in reairtel to appropriate authorities,
Jacksonville Police Department.

Atlanta advise whether any additional information
has been developed concerning Kelly's whereabouts on
4-27 or 4-28-58. Previous information indicates Kelly's
regular day off is Friday. Atlanta advise whether Kelly
regularly employed on Sundays and if so, what hours he
normally works.

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8/25/58

AIRTEL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM : SAC, ATLANTA
SUBJECT : BOMBINGS OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH CENTER
SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON HIGH
SCHOOL, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, 4/28/58
INFORMATION CONCERNING - IS

No additional information has been received concerning the whereabouts of CHARLES IVAN KELLY on April 27 and April 28, 1958. Regarding JACKSONVILLE request to determine whether KELLY regularly employed on Sundays and if so what hours he normally works, UACB, within 10 day this office will contact KELLY's employer, "The Valdosta Times", Valdosta, Ga. to verify information previously obtained by Chief WILBUR PERKERSON, Valdosta, Ga. PD, and to obtain additional employment information, including KELLY's work schedule on Sundays, and to verify the fact he is regularly off on Friday.

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URGENT 7-31-58 12-11 PM EST JNL

TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, ATLANTA

FROM SAC, JACKSONVILLE /105-64/ 1 P

BOMBING OF JEWISH CENTER, SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL, BOTH JACKSONVILLE, FLA., APRIL TWENTYEIGHT INSTANT, INFORMATION CONCERNING. SUMMARY OF PERTINENT INFORMATION RE CHARLES IVAN KELLY FURNISHED JK PD TODAY INCLUDING THAT OF POSSESSION OF TWO PISTOLS IN NINETEEN FIFTY TWO. ALTHOUGH KELLY HAS HAD NO EXTENDED VACATION, IN VIEW OF PROXIMITY OF VALDOSTA TO JK, PD DESIRES TO KNOW MAKE, MODEL, COLOR AND LICENSE PLATE NUMBER OF ANY CAR OWNED BY KELLY OR READILY AVAILABLE TO HIM AS WELL AS ANY INFORMATION AVAILABLE AS TO WHEREABOUTS ON APRIL TWENTYEIGHT INSTANT. ATLANTA HANDLE.

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PLS CORR L8 LAST WORD SHD BE TWENTYEIGHT

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To: SACs, Jacksonville & Atlanta

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To: Director FBI

Subject: Bombings of Jacksonville Jewish Center Synagogue and James Weldon Johnson High
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SAC, JACKSONVILLE (105-64)

**BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH
CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON
JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL (NEGRO), BOTH
JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, 4/28/58,
INFORMATION CONCERNING - IS**

Detective Sergeant JAMES O. CREWS, Detective Bureau, Jacksonville Police Department, advised on 7/23/58 that a few days earlier he received from the State Farm Mutual Insurance Company at Jacksonville, Florida, a small carton containing certain correspondence and other pieces of literature which had been discarded by J. B. STONER at the time of his transfer by that company from Dublin, Georgia, to Savannah, Georgia.

Among the items in this box, according to Sergeant CREWS, were a letter and an envelope, reading as follows:

From: "Charles Kelly
Route 2
Valdosta, Ga.

To: "Mr. J. B. Stoner
P. O. Box 43
Atlanta, Ga."

"Jan. 1, 1958

"Dear J. B. _

"I received the nice Christmas Card.

"Hope you will let me know beforehand if you come through sometime.

"I would like to visit in Atlanta sometime the first part of the year.

"Peter Xavier and I wanted to do something during our vacation time. Haven't decided yet.

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"I will find out when my vacation time comes up.

"I'll write you and let you know.

"Wish I could see an uncle of mine in Miami.

"I have something to give you sometime.

"If my Brother would go to Atlanta to look at some cars I could see you.

"Don't make extra trip until I find out something.

"I went to the penitentiary at Tallahassee, Fla., Sunday before last.

"I was denied permission to see or talk with Kasper. I had another Boy with me.

"Your Friend

"/s/ Charles

"I haven't forgotten you. Sure would like to see Snory Burke and others."

Sergeant CREWS stated that in view of the fact that the writer of the letter apparently is a sympathizer of Stoner's and since it was indicated that he was expecting to go on vacation subsequent to January 1, 1958, and possibly to his uncle's in Miami, the scene of a bombing in March, 1958. Sgt. CREWS requested that background information concerning KELLY be obtained and if possible information concerning the date and place where he may have taken this vacation. Accordingly, Atlanta will conduct such investigation pursuant to earlier Bureau instructions.

URGENT 7-24-58 10-41Q AM ESC

TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, JACKSONVILLE

FROM SAC, ATLANTA 1P

BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL -NEGRO-, BOTH JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, APRIL TWENTY EIGHT FIFTY EIGHT, INFORMATION CONCERNING - IS.

RE JK TEL JULY TWENTY THREE LAST. ATLANTA INDICES CONTAIN FOLLOWING REFERENCES BELIEVED IDENTICAL WITH CHARLES KELLY MENTIONED RETEL. LETTER DATED MAY THIRTEEN FIFTY SEVEN, SIGNED CHARLES KELLY, ROUTE TWO, VALDOSTA, GEORGIA, ADDRESSED TO JAKE THE JEW, MAXWELL STREET POLICE STATION, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, AND CONCERNED PISTOL KELLY CLAIMED TAKEN FROM HIM BY CHICAGO POLICE. AUSA, CHICAGO, DECLINED PROSECUTION SAYING THERE WAS NO THREAT OR EXTORTION IN LETTER. BUREAU AND JK WILL REFER TO WFO LETTER. DATED FEBRUARY TWENTY ONE FIFTY EIGHT, PAGE SIX, WHITE CITIZENS COUNCILS OF D. C., AKA SEABOARD WHITE CITIZENS COUNCILS, IS-X, CONTAINING NAME CHARLES KELLY, ROUTE TWO, VALDOSTA, GEORGIA. BUREAU HAS ADVISED BOMBING CASE NOT TO BE INVESTIGATED EXCEPT TO COVER LEADS FOR COMMISSIONER EUGENE CONNOR, BIRMINGHAM POLICE DEPARTMENT. BUREAU WILL ADVISE IF ATLANTA SHOULD CONDUCT ACTIVE INVESTIGATION FOR BACKGROUND INFO RE KELLY.

END ACK IN ORDER

1-/// 11-44 AM OK FBI WA JGFS

OK FBI JK JA

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Carter advised by phone 7/25-7/26 AM

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URGENT 7-24-58 6-06 PM JHM

TO - SACS ATLANTA AND JACKSONVILLE
FROM - DIRECTOR 1P

BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON
JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL, BOTH JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, APRIL TWO EIGHT,
INSTANT, INFORMATION CONCERNING. RE JACKSONVILLE TEL
JULY TWO THREE, INSTANT, AND ATLANTA TEL JULY TWO FOUR, INSTANT.
BY TELETYPE MAY THREE, INSTANT, JACKSONVILLE AND BIRMINGHAM
WERE ADVISED TO INDICATE TO LOCAL POLICE BUREAU DASH S
WILLINGNESS TO RUNNOUT SPECIFIC OUT DASH OF DASH STATE LEADS
IN CONNECTION WITH JACKSONVILLE AND BIRMINGHAM BOMBING CASES.
ATLANTA CONDUCT INVESTIGATION REQUESTED IN RE JACKSONVILLE
TEL. JACKSONVILLE CONTINUE TO EVALUATE CAREFULLY REQUESTS
RECEIVED FROM JACKSONVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT. RESULTS OF SUCH
REQUESTS SHOULD BE CLEARED WITH BUREAU PRIOR TO BEING MADE
AVAILABLE TO POLICE.

END AND ACK PLS.

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URGENT 7-23-58 4-26 PM EST MLT

TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, ATLANTA

FROM SAC, JACKSONVILLE 1 P

BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE ~~JEVISH~~ JEWISH CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON
JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL -NEGRO-, BOTH JACKSONVILLE, FLA., APR.

TWENTYEIGHT FIFTYEIHT, INFORMATION CONCERNING DASH IS. JK PD ON JULY

TWENTYTWO LAST REQUESTED INVESTIGATION OF INDIVIDUAL NAMED CHARLES
KELLY, ROUTE TWO, VALDOSTA, GA. A POSSIBLE SUSPECT IN INSTANT CASE.

SUSPECT WROTE LETTER TO J. B. STONER, ATLANTA, GA. JAN. ONE LAST
INDICATING SYMPATHY WITH STONER-S ACTIVITIES AS WELL AS UNSUCCESSFUL

EFFORTS TO VISIT JOHN KASPER EARLIER AT TALLAHASSEE, FLA. SUSPECT
PLANNED VACATION POSSIBLY TO VISIT UNCLE IN MIAMI, MAKING STATEMENT

QUOTE I HAVE SOMETHING TO GIVE YOU SOME TIME UNQUOTE. JK PD DESIRES
BACKGROUND INFORMATION CONCERNING KELLY AND INFORMATION CONCERNING

TIME AND PLACE HE TOOK VACTATION. COMPLETE CONTENTS OF KELLY-S LETTER
BEING FURNISHED ALL OFFICES AIR MAIL THIS DATE. COPIES OF INSTANT

TELETYPE AIR MAIL TO BIRMINGHAM AND SAVANNAH

END AND ACK PLS

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Date: 7/10/58

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TO: DIRECTOR AND SAC BIRMINGHAM

FROM: SAC ATLANTA 1P

RACON. JACKSONVILLE, FLA. BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH CENTER, ETC. REBUAIRTEL JULY FIRST AND BIRMINGHAM TEL TODAY. REVIEW OF ATLANTA FILES BY SA HENRY E. KING, JR. REVEALS NO PUBLIC SOURCE MATERIAL CONCERNING J. B. STONER. BIRMINGHAM OFFICE ALREADY IN POSSESSION BACKGROUND INFO RE STONER. IT IS NOTED STONER AND HIS ORGANIZATION, CHRISTIAN ANTI JEWISH PARTY, INACTIVE FOR SEVERAL YEARS EXCEPT FOR DISTRIBUTION OF ANTI JEWISH PROPAGANDA FROM TIME TO TIME AND CASE WAS IN CLOSED STATUS THIS OFFICE PRIOR TO JACKSONVILLE BOMBING INCIDENT. ANY ADDITIONAL INFO RECEIVED WILL BE FURNISHED BH OFFICE. RUC.

END

HEK:CM
(1)Approved: 

Special Agent in Charge

Sent

3:16 P

Per

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URGENT 7-10-58 9-21 AM CST MJK

TO SAC, ATLANTA

FROM SAC, BIRMINGHAM 1P

RACON. JACKSONVILLE, FLA. BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH
CENTER, ETC. REBUAIRTEL TO BH AND AT JULY FIRST. COMMISSIONER
EUGENE CONNOR, BPD, ADVISES SUMMARY NEEDED BY ELEVENTH INSTANT
AS INTERVIEW WITH STONER THIS WEEKEND CONTEMPLATED.

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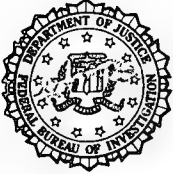
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Identification Division

YOUR FILE NO. 100-4976
 FBI FILE NO. 65-15749
 LATENT CASE NO. 15604

July 1, 1958

TO: SAC, Atlanta

RE: CHRISTIAN ANTI-JEWISH PARTY
 INTERNAL SECURITY - X

FOIA(b)(6)
 FOIA(b)(7) - (C)

REFERENCE: Airtels 6/24/58 and 6/26/58
 EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Atlanta
 SPECIMENS:

The previously developed latent fingerprints in the case entitled "Unknown Subjects; Attempted Bombing of Temple Beth-El Jewish Synagogue, 21st Way and Highland Avenue, Birmingham, Alabama, April 28, 1958," Bufile 100-135-4, latent case #15226, are not identical with the fingerprints of Homer Leslie Loomis, FBI #4727737;

Matthias (Matt) Koehl, Jr., USMC #1109575; Wallace Hugh Allen, FBI #939381A, Atlanta Police Department #80611; or Emmett O'Neal (O'Neil) Morris, born August 6, 1902. The fingerprints of

2 - Birmingham (100-4314)

1 - Atlanta (61-56)

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1 - Knoxville

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John Edgar Hoover, Director

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[redacted] George Michael Bright, [redacted] and William Hugh Morris (Hugh Morris), FBI #5288, are not identical with these latent fingerprints as you have been previously advised.

No identifiable fingerprint records could be located for Mrs. [redacted]

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Transmit the following in PLAIN TEXT
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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

Date: JUL 3 1958

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (65-15743)
FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-4976)
SUBJECT: CHRISTIAN ANTI-JEWISH PARTY
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Rerep SA HENRY E. KING, dated 6/6/58, at Atlanta.

Transmitted herewith are copies of a letterhead memorandum regarding above-captioned matter.

- 3 - Bureau (65-15743) (Encl. 7) (RM)
- 3 - Birmingham (1 - 100-4314) (Encl. 3) (RM)
 - (1 - NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY, IS - X)
 - (1 - UNSUBS; Bombing of Bethel Baptist Church, June 29, 1958, INFO CONCERNING)
- 3 - Jacksonville (1 - CHRISTIAN ANTI-JEWISH PARTY)(ENCL. 3) (RM)
 - (1 - 105-64)
 - (1 - NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY)
- 1 - Knoxville (100-2955)(Info) (Encl. 1) (RM)
- ④ - Atlanta (1 - 100-4976)
 - (1 - 100-5755)
 - (1 - 100-5764)
 - (1 - 105-763)

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King

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Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Atlanta, Georgia

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A review of the records of the Court of Ordinary, Fulton County, Atlanta, Georgia, on June 26, 1958, reflects that RICHARD MARK BOWLING and MILDRED DESIREE COCHRAN were married on August 18, 1957, by Reverend J. R. WILSON, Lithonia, DeKalb County, Georgia.

BOWLING, in applying for a marriage license, listed his birth as September 11, 1932, at Atlanta, Georgia; residence - 1206 Peachtree Street, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia, and occupation as route salesman, dry cleaning and laundry company. BOWLING listed his father as MARK BOWLING, and his mother as KATHERINE STOCKING. Mrs. COCHRAN listed her birth [redacted] residence - 463 Pryor Street, S. W., Atlanta, Georgia, and occupation as beautician. She listed her father as W. L. SANDERS (deceased), Blue Ridge, Georgia, and her mother as EMMA M. BROOKS, Atlanta, Georgia.

It will be noted that an informant of the Atlanta Office has previously advised that he understood one of the BOWLING boys had married.

The records of the Credit Bureau of Atlanta were checked by Miss MARY ANN FREEMAN on June 27, 1958, and no information was found concerning ROBERT or RICHARD BOWLING or Mrs. MILDRED DESIREE COCHRAN.

On June 30, 1958, Mrs. L. J. WHIDDEN, 463 Pryor Street, S. W., Atlanta, Georgia, advised that she is an operator of rooming houses. She stated she first met Mrs. COCHRAN during the early Spring of 1957 and rented her a room until August 1957, at which time Mrs. COCHRAN moved away saying she had married RICHARD BOWLING. However, she stated that about three months ago MILDRED contacted her at her rooming house at 463 Pryor Street, S. W., and rented a room which she now occupies.

HENRY E. KING, JR.: SBB
(18)

① - Atlanta (1 - 100-4976) (1 - 100-5755) (1 - 100-5764)
(1 - 105-763)

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Mrs. WHIDDEN stated that MILDRED continues to claim to be married to RICHARD BOWLING and that RICHARD visits MILDRED daily when in town. On the days he fails to come by MILDRED's room she states he is out of town on business. However, it will be noted that Mrs. WHIDDEN stated she was present when MILDRED was interviewed by members of the County Welfare Department and that she told this representative that she was not married to RICHARD BOWLING. Mrs. WHIDDEN said MILDRED

[REDACTED] Mrs. WHIDDEN said she was of the opinion that MILDRED told the Welfare Department representative that she was unmarried in [REDACTED]

Mrs. WHIDDEN stated RICHARD has a 1950 black Plymouth 4-door sedan, and that when he comes by MILDRED's room, that MILDRED and RICHARD usually go for a ride. She commented that sometimes they are gone for only a few minutes, while at others they are away over night. She added that usually when RICHARD is out of town MILDRED catches a trolley in front of the house shortly before midnight and returns around 5:00 to 6:00 AM the following day. Mrs. WHIDDEN asked MILDRED the purpose of these trips and she said she merely sits around all-night restaurants in Atlanta, identifying one of the restaurants as Brown Restaurant on Peachtree Street near Linden.

Mrs. WHIDDEN said that MILDRED stated that RICHARD and his brother ROBERT are employed by a Doctor in Birmingham, Alabama, but she did not identify this doctor. She stated that MILDRED indicated that the BOWLING boys "did jobs for this doctor."

According to Mrs. WHIDDEN, MILDRED makes numerous trips with her husband and based on information furnished by MILDRED they travelled to Birmingham, Alabama, Chattanooga, Tennessee, and Jacksonville, Florida.

Mrs. WHIDDEN said she had seen ROBERT BOWLING, but had had no contact with him. She said she had had several conversations concerning the Bible with RICHARD BOWLING and he became very enraged because she disagreed with him and made violent anti-Jewish statements.

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Mrs. WHIDDEN recalled that during a conversation with MILDRED, Mr. WHIDDEN, who was present, was discussing the fact that he was with a construction company which used a quantity of dynamite and in an effort to determine MILDRED's feelings on the matter, Mr. WHIDDEN said that he supposed RICHARD would like to have this dynamite. MILDRED reportedly replied, "You dam right he would." Mrs. WHIDDEN said there had been numerous anti-Negro, anti-Semitic remarks made by MILDRED and RICHARD, and that RICHARD said that the Jews owned the country and is using the Negro to promote Communism.

According to Mrs. WHIDDEN, RICHARD said that top officials of the NAACP were Jewish Communists.

Mrs. WHIDDEN voluntarily stated that she became suspicious of RICHARD and his brother when they were apparently out of town on the week end the Jewish Synagogue at Jacksonville was bombed. She recalled a discussion regarding this incident with MILDRED, at which time MILDRED said she suspected that that she knew the identity of the persons responsible for the bombing. Mrs. WHIDDEN also stated that she had read in the local newspapers of an attempted bombing at Birmingham, Alabama, on June 29, 1958, and noted that RICHARD did not visit MILDRED from the afternoon of June 25, 1958, until the afternoon of June 29, 1958, during which time he was out of town according to MILDRED.

Mrs. WHIDDEN added that RICHARD BOWLING claimed to also have TB, but she did not believe this statement. She stated she considered both RICHARD and MILDRED to be undesirable persons and she had requested them to move, and expected them to vacate her house by July 3, 1958.

She stated she understood that MILDRED and RICHARD, after their marriage, occupied Apartment 576 at 591 Luckie Street, Atlanta, Georgia, and that several months ago she dropped by this address and found MILDRED and RICHARD there. She stated also that there were five or six other young men there and she assumed they were having some kind of meeting. Mrs. WHIDDEN stated that according to MILDRED, RICHARD and ROBERT continued to live at this address until a few weeks ago, at which time they moved. She said that she did not know their present whereabouts, but understood they were residing with an elderly aunt and uncle. She added that the aunt and uncle were brothers rather than man and wife, however she did not know where these people resided. ✓

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Miss EVELYN MC KEMIE, Business Office, Clark Howell Homes, Atlanta, advised on June 30, 1958, that RICHARD BOWLING and his wife MILDRED moved into Apartment 576 at 591 Luckie Street, in October 1957. However, they moved in June 1958, and left no forwarding address. Miss MC KEMIE produced an application for rental property which reflected that Mrs. BOWLING was MILDRED SANDERS prior to her marriage and Mr. BOWLING was employed by the Sandy Springs Cleaners, Atlanta.

The following former addresses were shown:

1206 Peachtree Street, N. E.
Apartment 602
Atlanta, Georgia

765 $\frac{1}{2}$ Argonne Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

4570 Jett Road, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Miss MC KEMIE recalled that RICHARD had two relatives who were brother and sister and believed to be an aunt and uncle of RICHARD who resides in this development. She identified them as Mrs. KATHERINE STOCKING and SAMUEL STOCKING who reside in Apartment 419, 239 Pine Street, N. W., Atlanta, Georgia. Miss MC KEMIE stated the STOCKINGS were elderly people probably in their 80's and that Mrs. STOCKING was almost deaf.

Mrs. THERESA CURTIS, 239 Pine Street, N. W., Apartment 418 advised on June 30, 1958, that she had known Mr. and Mrs. STOCKING since March. She stated they were visited regularly by two boys believed to be their grandsons, but that she had not met these young men.

Mrs. J. A. HINDMAN, 239 Pine Street, N. W., Apartment 420, advised on June 30, 1958, that she has known Mr. and Mrs. STOCKING for about three years. She stated she had met RICHARD and ROBERT BOWLING, believed to be grandsons of the STOCKINGS, and that they visited the STOCKINGS regularly. She said that the STOCKINGS were elderly people and that the BOWLING boys come by to check on them on a regular basis.

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She added that she does not know whether or not the BOWLING boys are residing at this address but commented that RICHARD BOWLING was there at this time and identified a faded black 1950 Plymouth 4-door sedan, 1958 Georgia License 1-92953, which was parked in front of the apartment as being the property of RICHARD BOWLING.

Miss INEZ LOOPER, Georgia Automobile License Tag Bureau, reviewed her records on June 30, 1958, and advised that 1958 Georgia License 1-92953 was issued to RICHARD BOWLING, 1206 Peachtree Street, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia, on a 1950 Plymouth sedan.

J. B. MOORE, Owner, Sandy Springs Cleaners, Roswell Road, Atlanta, Georgia, advised on June 30, 1958, that RICHARD BOWLING was employed by him as a routeman from August 1, 1957, to December 31, 1957, at which time he was discharged based on complaints from customers. Mr. MOORE said that he received complaints from customers indicating RICHARD BOWLING had used the fact that he was employed by the Sandy Springs Cleaners in order to gain entrance into homes, at which time he attempted to distribute anti-Semitic statements to customers. Mr. MOORE said that he attempted to talk with RICHARD regarding his views, but saw it was "hopeless" and therefore immediately discharged him. Mr. MOORE added that he had no previous knowledge of RICHARD BOWLING's feelings, but that since he left the company he had had numerous people advise him of anti-Semitic statements made by RICHARD. ~~Mr. MOORE was told by one of his other drivers that during the latter part of 1957 RICHARD BOWLING made the statement that he was going to blow up the Jewish building on Peachtree Road near the Peachtree Railroad Station.~~ Mr. MOORE noted that on one occasion RICHARD had a revolver in his truck and when asked regarding this gun he told Mr. MOORE he carried the gun to "shoot snakes." Mr. MOORE said he immediately told RICHARD he could not carry this gun in a company truck. He pointed out that another reason for discharging RICHARD was the fact that on one occasion he drove the company truck to Rome, Georgia, without authority.

Mr. MOORE said he had not been in contact with RICHARD BOWLING since he left his employ.

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Identification Division

YOUR FILE NO. **100-4976**
 FBI FILE NO. **65-16743**
 LATENT CASE NO. **13604**

July 1, 1958

TO: **SAC, Atlanta**

RE: **CHRISTIAN ANTI-JEWISH PARTY**
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

FOIA(b)(6)
 FOIA(b)(7) - (C)

REFERENCE: **Airtels 6/24/58 and 6/26/58**
 EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: **Atlanta**
 SPECIMENS:

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Matthias (Matt) Kochl, Jr., USMC #1109578; Wallace Hugh Allen, FBI #239001A, Atlanta Police Department #80511; or Emmett O'Neal (O'Neil) Morris, born August 6, 1902. The fingerprints of [redacted]

2 - Birmingham (100-4316)

1 - Atlanta (61-56)

① - Atlanta (100-5755)

1 - Knoxville

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John Edgar Hoover, Director

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July 1, 1953

[redacted] George Michael Bright, [redacted] and
William Hugh Morris (Hugh Morris), FBI #12345, are not iden-
tical with these latent fingerprints as you have been previously
advised.

No identifiable fingerprint records could be located
for Mrs. [redacted]

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July 1, 1958

Airtel

TO: SACS, Birmingham (62-1915)
Atlanta

FROM: Director, FBI (100-135-63)

RACON, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE
JEWISH CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL
(NEGRO), APRIL 28, 1958, INFORMATION CONCERNING (INTERNAL
SECURITY)

Re Birmingham airtel June 27, 1958.

Atlanta authorized to prepare summary re Stoner.
This summary should contain only public source material.
Atlanta furnish this summary to Birmingham for transmittal
to Commissioner Eugene Connor.

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July 1, 1958

Airtel

TO: SACS, Birmingham (62-1915)
Atlanta

FROM: Director, FBI (100-135-63)

RACON, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE
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June 27, 1958

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-135-63)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (44-895)

BOMBING OF JEWISH CENTER SYNAGOGUE
AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL,
BOTH JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, APRIL 28, 1958;
INFORMATION CONCERNING (INTERNAL SECURITY)

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Rebuairtel 6/20/58, to Jacksonville and other offices
receiving copies of instant airtel.

[REDACTED]

In view of this, it has not been possible to fix his whereabouts
on 4/28/58, through discreet inquiry. [REDACTED] neighbor-
hood source whose identity should not be revealed, advised
6/26/58, [REDACTED] is often away from home for periods of several
days, presumably in connection with his business, but he does
not know places visited or specific dates. [REDACTED] advised
6/26/58, [REDACTED] has told him, in telephone conversations, of
having been in Jacksonville, Florida, at least two or three
times this year. Informant was unable to fix the time of these
visits, however, and said he is certain [REDACTED] did not mention
having been in Jacksonville at the time of instant bombings.
Telephone toll calls at [REDACTED] home phone, obtained through

2-Bureau

2-Jacksonville (135-64)

1-Charlotte (Info.) (44-444)

1-Atlanta (Info.)

1-Birmingham (Info.)

1-Miami

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a confidential source at Tampa, show none made in April, but on 5/2/58, [redacted] called collect from Jacksonville, Florida, [redacted] residence in Tampa; time of call was 5:49 PM and duration was 5 minutes. On 6/4/58, [redacted] placed a call at 11:19 AM to [redacted] identified as the residence of [redacted] duration was 12 minutes.

FRANK GASTON, mentioned in resirtel, is patrolman, not detective, on Tampa Police Department, and has long been identified as a close associate of BILL HENDRIX of the Southern Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. [redacted]

JAX identify phone used by [redacted] for lead to a hotel or other stopping place and endeavor to learn duration of his visit there, and whereabouts on 4/28/58.

6/27/58

AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-135-63)
FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (62-1915)
RE: RACON, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.
BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH
CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON
JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL (NEGRO) 4-28-58
INFO CONCERNING (IS)

Commissioner EUGENE CONNOR, Birmingham Police Department, advised this date that no further action is contemplated by his department concerning the above matter until Saturday, 7/12/58, when they propose to bring STONER back to Birmingham along with the informants for interviews with Detective Capt. G. L. PATTIE and Detective TOM COOK under pretext.

Mr. CONNOR stated that he would like to have further background information concerning J. B. STONER, if same is in possession of the Bureau, prior to the next interview with STONER.

The Bureau is requested to advise the Atlanta and Birmingham Offices if permission is granted to furnish this information to CONNOR, and Atlanta should furnish Birmingham with a summary of information on J. B. STONER if the Bureau authorizes.

2 - Bureau (AM-RM)
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1 - Savannah (Info) (AM-RM)
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE:

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA

JUN 27

SUBJECT : NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY,
Formerly United White Party, and
States Rights Party
IS-X

Reference is made to Charlotte airtels dated 11/29/57 and 6/20/57, Bureau letter dated 12/23/57, Atlanta airtel dated 3/31/58, which forwarded to some offices letterhead memorandum re UNITED WHITE PARTY, and Atlanta airtel dated 6/19/58, all captioned "UNITED WHITE PARTY, IS-X".

3 - Bureau RM
(1 - 105-66233)
(1 - 100-135-63)
(1 - 65-15743)
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1 - New Haven RM
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1 - Portland RM
1 - Richmond RM
3 - Savannah RM
3 - St. Louis RM
3 - Washington Field RM

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(1 - 105-763) (National States Rights Party)
(1 - 100-4976) (Christian Anti-Jewish Party)
(1 - 100-5755) (Bombing of Jacksonville Jewish Synagogue & JAMES WELDON JOHNSON High School (Negro) both Jacksonville, Fla.)
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Further reference is made to Atlanta airtels dated 6/24/58 and 6/26/58, Atlanta teletype and Bureau teletype dated 6/26/58, all captioned "Christian Anti-Jewish Party, IS-X".

[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, telephonically contacted the Atlanta Office at 12:35 a.m. morning of 6/26/58, and advised that he just attended a meeting of the National States Rights Party (NSRP). Informant advised Night Clerk on duty that surveillance of STONER by FBI was discussed. Further, it was stated at the gathering that a group would "gang up" on FBI agents trailing STONER and shoot to kill.

In view of nature of information furnished by informant, information was immediately furnished to the Bureau and interested offices by teletype.

Later in the morning of 6/26/58, [redacted] was contacted by SA HENRY E. KING to develop full details and circumstances of what transpired, and was said at meeting of National States Rights Party on night of 6/25/58, results of which contact are as follows:

[redacted] advised meeting was held at residence of BILLY RAY BRANHAM, 591 North Highland Ave., N. E., Atlanta, Ga. and that the following persons were in attendance:

BILLY RAY BRANHAM
WALLACE H. ALLEN
KING CORLEY
GEORGE MICHAEL BRIGHT
IRA DEBOLT
CHESTER GRIFFIN
LESLEY E. ROGERS

Informants advised that nothing pertinent discussed at meeting as such; however, after formal meeting concluded, informal discussion was had. [redacted] advised SA HENRY E. KING on 6/26/58 that discussion drifted to JESSE B. STONER and FBI surveillance of STONER.

AT 105-763

It should be noted that STONER was formerly a Klansman and upon being expelled, formed Christian anti-Jewish Party (CAJP) in late 1940's. Current thumbnail on CAJP available all offices.

Someone inquired as to whether the FBI was looking for STONER in conjunction with the Florida bombings. (Bombings of Jacksonville, Fla. Jewish Center Synagogue and Negro High School 4/28/58).

CHESTER GRIFFIN mentioned that a set plan should be formulated to capture any FBI agent caught surveilling any one of their group and that agent should be placed under Citizen's Arrest, fingerprinted, photographed, and that thereafter the photo of agent should be printed in "Friendly" papers to destroy agent's usefulness in future investigations of their organization.

WALLACE ALLEN, 5531 Roswell Road, Atlanta, Ga., who operates his own advertising agency, advised he wanted no part of a Citizen's Arrest of agents, but preferred taking a rifle and "shooting the S.O.B.'s" if they were caught surveilling members of their group.

The discussion continued regarding ways and means of detecting a surveillance and they discussed possibly mugging of an agent at which time ALLEN reiterated his preference for action that would permanently take care of an agent.

BUREAU BY TELETYPE ADVISED THAT ALL OFFICES WHICH HAVE HAD OR CURRENTLY HAVE LEADS IN THIS MATTER SHOULD BE ALERTED TO ABOVE STATED INFORMATION. IN FUTURE FURNISH SUCH INFORMATION TO ANY OTHER OFFICE REQUESTED TO CONDUCT INVESTIGATION AT TIME SUCH INVESTIGATION REQUESTED.

Bureau by letter of 12/23/57 advised at that time that no investigation should be undertaken concerning UNITED WHITE PARTY; however, information received relative to organizations and individuals should be furnished Bureau and interested offices.

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Investigation has been conducted in Southern offices re J. B. STONER, associates and acquaintances in effort to determine whether they or STONER have had any part in recent bombings occurring in the South.

On 6/1/58 WALLACE ALLEN, Local Organizer for the NSRP, advised that he did not want J. B. STONER to have anything to do with the NSRP, according to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] identified BRANHAM as young segregationist formerly of Detroit, Mich. and Louisville, Ky. who resides 591 N. Highland, Atlanta, Ga. and is employed by Courts and Company, an investment brokerage house. BRANHAM prominently identified in segregation matters, Louisville, Ky. and is reportedly Chairman of NSRP.

KING CORLEY is an unidentified individual who informants have been instructed to obtain identifying data. [REDACTED] advised he believed name was cover name used by person attending. Atlanta indices negative re CORLEY.

ALLEN previously identified in this communique and others.

GEORGE MICHAEL BRIGHT resides 525 Page Avenue, Atlanta, Ga., is reportedly a graduate of North Carolina State College, and formerly was employed by Bell Aircraft, Buffalo, N. Y., Sylvania Electric Products Company, Fulton Bag and Cotton Mills, Atlanta, and presently works for Roberts and Company, Architects, Atlanta. BRIGHT is in charge of Information and Security of the NSRP.

IRA DEBOLT is a law enforcement officer, Atlanta area.

CHESTER GRIFFIN, Vice Chairman of NSRP, is an Examiner employed by GEORGIA STATE REVENUE DEPARTMENT, and resides at 580 Ponce De Leon Avenue, Atlanta, Ga.

LESLEY ROGERS is self-employed in floor cleaning and building maintenance service, Atlanta, Ga. ROGERS is also Sec.-Treas. of NSRP, and Asst. Security Officer.

AT 105-763

FOIA(b)(7) - (D)

Efforts continue to identify KING CORLEY. Informants have been alerted for additional information and statements or action contemplated by members of the NSRP or other individuals.

For information of offices not receiving Atlanta airtel 6/19/58, captioned "UNITED WHITE PARTY, AKA National States Rights Party (NSRP), IS-X", [redacted] furnished information on 6/8/58 that effective 7/1/58, the United White Party would be known as NSRP.

Copies are furnished to all offices who have had previous correspondence, or leads for information purposes in accordance with referenced Bureau teletype 6/26/58.

6/28/58

AIRTEL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI ATTENTION: IDENTIFICATION
DIVISION

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA

SUBJECT : CHRISTIAN ANTI-JEWISH PARTY
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

ReBualrtole dated May 28 and June 20, 1958, and Atlanta airtel dated June 24, 1958, captioned CHRISTIAN ANTI-JEWISH PARTY. Further reference is made to Bureau Airtel dated June 20, 1958, captioned BOMBING OF JEWISH CENTER, JACKSONVILLE, AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL (NEGRO), 4-28-58. Further reference is made to Atlanta teletype to the Bureau dated June 26, 1958, captioned CHRISTIAN ANTI-JEWISH PARTY.

The following background regarding LEE R. ROPER is set forth for the assistance of the Identification Division in locating prints so that a comparison examination may be made with these latents found at attempted bombing Birmingham:

LEE R. ROPER, JR., 205 Alexander St., N. W.,
Atlanta, Ga., white, male, 5' 11 1/2", 222 lbs.,
Born 4/11/26, brown eyes, black hair.

- 3 - Bureau (65-15743) RM
- 1 - Miami (info.) RM
- 1 - Jacksonville (info.) (105-72) RM
- 1 - Birmingham (info.) (100-4314) RM
- 1 - Savannah (info.) (100-4272) RM
- 1 - Knoxville (info.) RM
- 3 - Atlanta (1 - 100-4976 - CAJP)
(1 - 61-56-4119)
(2 - 100-5755 - Bombing of Jacksonville
Jewish Center)

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It should be noted that ROPER was formerly married to one SHELMA, who has either divorced him or in the process of getting divorce. LEE ROPER, JR. has been identified by [redacted] as the individual having previous connections with the U. S. Klans of Georgia.

LEE ROY ROPER, SR., also a resident of 203 Alexander St., N. W., Atlanta, Ga., is described as white, male, age, approximately 65, and is employed as a sign painter, and his wife was identified as LEONA.

[redacted] knows of no subversive connections on the part of LEE ROY ROPER, SR.

[redacted] was contacted this date by SA HENRY E. KING, and advised that he has no information regarding the bombings in Jacksonville, Fla., or at Birmingham, Ala. Informant further stated that he is not acquainted with LEE ROPER, JR. or SR., that he has never known either one of them to be connected with the KKK, and that he has had no association with them in any capacity.

[redacted] further advised that he had recently read in newspaper where W. J. GRIFFIN of Tampa, Fla., had testified before a Florida Committee regarding Klan activities. In GRIFFIN's testimony, according to [redacted] he related that he, GRIFFIN, was in contact with KLEIN, and an individual known as MONTY SUTTLES of East Point, Ga. [redacted] advised that to his knowledge W. J. GRIFFIN of Tampa, Florida, was last in contact with CHARLES KLEIN in 1951 or 1952, at which time GRIFFIN contacted KLEIN regarding GRIFFIN's son. Informant advised

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that GRIFFIN's son was then in custody of Florida State officials, and had outstanding charges against him in Georgia. Informant stated that GRIFFIN desired that ELKIN attempt to have these charges dismissed in Georgia against his son. Informant stated that that was the last contact had between GRIFFIN and ELKIN. [redacted] advised that he does not know one MORTY SUTHERS, and has never heard of him.

[redacted] at 12:35 a.m. morning of 6/26/58 telephonically contacted the Atlanta Office, and advised the night clerk on duty regarding information he had received after having attended a meeting of the National States Rights Party. This information was furnished to the Bureau as follows; by teletype:

[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised he had just left a meeting of the National States Rights Party, and FISUR of STONER by FBI was discussed. It was stated at meeting that group would "gang up" on FBI Agents trailing STONER and shoot to kill. Atlanta not aware of any FBI FISUR presently in operation re STONER.

In view of nature of above information furnished by informant, this data was immediately furnished to the Bureau and interested offices.

[redacted] was contacted by SA HENRY E. KING later that morning, on 6/26/58, for the development of full details and circumstances surrounding discussion and statements made by members of the National States Rights Party, as previously furnished to night clerk on duty in Atlanta office, and advised as follows:

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Informant advised SA KING that he had attended a meeting of the National States Rights Party held at 591 North Highland Avenue in a room occupied by one BILLY BRANHAM on the evening of 6/25/58. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] reported after leaving the regular meeting, and was instructed by the handling agent that he should return to this gathering as general conversation may be of value on the part of individual in attendance at this meeting after the formal meeting had closed. Informant did this, and upon returning he had noted several individuals were there and in general conversation the name J. B. STONER and FBI was discussed. It should be noted that [REDACTED] was not present at this general conversation following the regular meeting as he departed upon the conclusion of the meeting.

Informant identified the following individuals as having attended the main portion of the States Rights Party meeting:

GEORGE BRIGHT, BILLY BRANHAM, CHESTER GRIFFIN, WALLACE ALLEN, KING CORLEY, LESLEY E. ROGERS, and IRA DEBOLT.

GEORGE BRIGHT, BILLY RAY BRANHAM, and WALLACE ALLEN are identified in Atlanta airtel dated June 24, 1958, captioned CHRISTIAN ANTI-JEWISH PARTY, under items 6, 7, and 9, respectively. The identities of CHESTER GRIFFIN and KING CORLEY are unknown, and when sufficient data is developed

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regarding them, requests will be made of the Identification Laboratory for comparison of their prints with latents developed at Birmingham bombing.

[redacted] stated that in this general conversation someone wondered whether the FBI was looking for J. B. STONER in regard to the Florida bombings, and discussed surveillance of STONER.

In reply to this CHESTER GRIFFIN advised that some sort of set plan should be made to capture any FBI Agent caught surveilling any one of their group. (National States Rights Party) and that they should put this agent or agents under citizen's arrest, have him fingerprinted, photographed, and then publish his photograph in all newspapers friendly to them to destroy the usefulness of this agent, in future investigation regarding the organization.

WALLACE ALLEN, 5531 Roswell Road, Atlanta, Ga., stated that he wanted no part of a citizen's arrest of an FBI Agent, but preferred taking a rifle and shooting the "S. O. B's" if an agent were caught tailing any of us.

[redacted] advised that the general conversation then continued on how to determine whether an automobile was surveilling them, and they generally discussed "mugging" the surveilling agents, and at this point ALLEN again stated he was in favor of taking permanent action against any such agents.

The Bureau by teletype dated 6/26/68 advised that all offices conducting investigation in this matter should be advised regarding statements of members of the National States Rights Party to the effect that certain individuals are in favor of shooting the agents caught surveilling any of their group. All offices when requesting other offices to conduct investigation on any of these individuals should be advised of above statements and handle accordingly.

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[redacted] stated that no mention was made of RICHARD and ROBERT BOWLING.

[redacted] advised on 6/26/58 that he was in contact with LEE R. ROPER, JR. and inquired as to how he was coming with his new organization. ROPER replied to [redacted] that, "You don't believe I have an organization". [redacted] stated that he is of the opinion ROPER is not in the process of organizing a new group or organization.

Investigation at Atlanta reflects that one KATHRYN BOWLING resides with her mother, MRS. L. A. STOCKING, in Apartment 602, 1206 Peachtree Street. Investigation in this vicinity reflects that one of the BOWLING boys has visited his mother at this apartment approximately three months ago. Neither of the BOWLINGS reside at this address, and efforts are being made through building management to attempt to ascertain present residence of either RICHARD or ROBERT BOWLING through pretext of soliciting identity of person to be notified by KATHRYN BOWLING in the event of an emergency.

Fulton County Ordinary records reflect that RICHARD MARK BOWLING was married on 10/18/57 to one MILDRED DESIREE COCHRAN on 8/18/57 at Lithonia, Ga. Marriage Application reflects BOWLING's residence as 1206 Peachtree St. and indicated his employment was that of Route Salesman for Dry Cleaning and Laundry.

Investigation continuing in Atlanta in effort to locate RICHARD and ROBERT BOWLING. R.

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Copies of this airtel are furnished to Knoxville, Birmingham, Jacksonville, Miami, and Savannah for information purposes in view of Miami and Jacksonville's interest in testimony before State Committee regarding Klan activities and to all offices in view of Bureau instructions regarding statements reported herein which would indicate that agents in conducting investigation regarding STONER and others of the National States Rights Party should be alert for possible physical violence.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC'S SAVANNAH, JACKSONVILLE AND BIRMINGHAM
FROM SAC, ATLANTA

CHRISTIAN ANTI-JEWISH PARTY. IS-X. [REDACTED]

WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST ORALLY ADVISED
AT TWELVE THIRTYFIVE AM THIS DATE HE HAD JUST LEFT
MEETING OF NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY AND FISUR OF STONER BY
FBI WAS DISCUSSED. IT WAS STATED AT MEETING THAT GROUP WOULD
"GANG UP" ON FBI AGENTS TRAILING STONER AND SHOOT TO KILL.

ATLANTA NOT AWARE OF ANY FBI FISUR PRESENTLY IN OPERATION RE
STONER. HOWEVER ABOVE BEING FURNISHED BUREAU AND INTERESTED
OFFICES IN EVENT FISUR UNKNOWN TO ATLANTA MAY BE IN OPERATION.
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AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO : Director, FBI (100-135-63)
FROM: SAC, Birmingham (62-1915)
RE : RACON, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.
BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH
CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON
JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL (NEGRO) 4-28-58
INFO CONCERNING (IB)

Commissioner EUGENE CONNOR, BH PD, advised this date that his informant talked to him and Captain G. L. PATTIE in CONNOR's office today and stated that the informant is of the opinion that admissions can be obtained from J. B. STONER concerning the bombings at Jacksonville, Fla. and the attempted bombing at BH, adding that informant sincerely believes STONER is the man responsible for same. CONNOR stated their tentative plans at this time are to arrange another meeting with STONER, along with informant, and Detectives Capt. G. L. PATTIE and TOM COOK, Saturday, 7-12-58, in BH. Informant told Commissioner CONNOR he was of the opinion that STONER had softened up quite a bit after the interview on 6-21-58 in BH and the informant was of the opinion that a man by the name of JETT, who is possibly identical with IRA C. JETT, was the man who was used in the "killings." Informant added that besides the killings of the NAACP officials at Mims, Fla. some years ago, that one or two people had been killed in Atlanta, Ga. CONNOR stated informant had no specific information, however, along this line.

- 3 - Bureau (AM-RM)
- ① - Atlanta (Info) (AM-RM)
- 1 - Jacksonville (AM-RM)
- 1 - Mobile (Info) (AM-RM)
- 1 - Savannah (Info) (AM-RM)
- 2 - Birmingham (62-1915)
(100-4314)

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For the info of the Bureau and other offices, the interviewing officers under a pretext on 6-21-58 gave STONER \$100 for expense money to Birmingham and Commissioner CONNOR has been giving the informant approximately \$25 a trip when he comes to see him from Montgomery, Ala. No further plans or developments have been received in this matter.

For the info of offices receiving this communication, Atlanta informant attended a meeting of the National States Rights Party in Atlanta on 6-26-58, where fear of STONER by FBI was discussed. It was stated at meeting that group would "gang up" on FBI Agents trailing STONER and shoot to kill. Bureau instructed Atlanta informant to remain alert concerning this matter.

The information concerning threats to law enforcement officers was relayed to Commissioner EUGENE CONNOR, Birmingham PD, on 6/26/58. Mr. CONNOR was most appreciative of this information and said that he and his officers would be most alert to this possibility.

June 20, 1958

A I R T E L

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, JACKSONVILLE (105-64)

SUBJECT: BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH
CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON
JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL (NEGRO), BOTH
JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, APRIL 28, 1958
INFORMATION CONCERNING
(INTERNAL SECURITY)

Deputy Sheriff MARVIN HAYES (WA), Duval County SO, Jacksonville, Fla., advised 6/19/58 that Mrs. KAY SMITH, who furnished information concerning presence of an unidentified male in a 1956 Chevrolet with white license tag and black numerals, license A9, was interrogated on 6/18/58 while under the influence of a truth serum administered by MERTON L. EK-NALL, M.D., Jacksonville. Witness, while under the influence of this serum, reiterated information originally furnished by her and furnished some additional details not inconsistent with original statement. In this connection, she described the license plate on the car as being white, with black letters, and black border, and believed to be from State of Georgia. Stated the last number of four digits was a "5".

HAYES advised that in a recent telephone conversation with Commissioner of Public Safety, EUGENE "BULL" CONNER, Birmingham, Ala., CONNER stated he received information from his Informant that J. H. STONER was being transferred by his employer, State Farm Mutual Insurance Co., from Dublin, Ga. to their office in Savannah, Ga. HAYES contacted local office of this insurance company and learned that their adjusting office at Dublin, Ga. was being closed, and STONER was being transferred to Savannah, Ga., which change was scheduled for about 8/1/58. HAYES advised no new developments and no other matters of significance under investigation.

3 - BUREAU (RM)
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1 - SAVANNAH
2 - JACKSONVILLE
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TO: SACS, Jacksonville (105-64)

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FROM: Director, FBI (100-135-63)

BOMBING OF JEWISH CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL, BOTH JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, APRIL 28, 1958, INFORMATION CONCERNING (INTERNAL SECURITY).

Re Charlotte airtel June 18, 1958, in which information was set forth showing that [redacted] had been advised by Frank Gaston, detective, Tampa, Florida, Police Department, on June 15, 1958, that the men who blew up the school and synagogue at Jacksonville were [redacted] and a man named Roper from Atlanta. Gaston stated [redacted] and Roper are connected with a man named [redacted] of Atlanta, formerly [redacted] according to Gaston, is backed by the Anti-Defamation League, to do these things to bring public reaction against the Klan. Gaston stated that although he and Bill Hendrix are sure [redacted] caused the explosions they are not going to "put the finger on them with the law."

[redacted] of Tampa. Roper may be Lee Roper of Atlanta and [redacted] has been contacted by the Miami Office previously and on several occasions has volunteered information to that office concerning Klan meetings. [redacted] is an informant of the Atlanta Office.

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SAC, Jacksonville
Re: Bombing of Jewish Center Synagogue and James Weldon Johnson
High School
100-135-63

AT 4/24
Reference is also made to Atlanta letter to the Bureau dated May 27, 1958, in which information concerning Lee Roper was set forth indicating he had been banished from the U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Incorporated, and indicating that Roper was building a new organization. Reference is made to Bulet to Atlanta dated June 9, 1958, instructing Atlanta to be alert for any indication that such a group is actually being formed by Roper. In view of the contents of referenced Charlotte airtel Atlanta is instructed to afford this matter prompt attention in an effort to verify or disprove the formation of such an organization. Atlanta is also instructed to ascertain discreetly the whereabouts of Lee Roper on April 28, 1958.

*Done
A/T 6/24*
[redacted] should be contacted by Atlanta and general inquiries should be made of him concerning bombings in an effort to establish if he has knowledge of such. Sufficient background data concerning Roper should be submitted to the Bureau promptly so that a search may be made of Identification Records to ascertain if Roper's prints are available for comparison with latents located at the Birmingham bombing scene.

Miami is instructed to discreetly ascertain the whereabouts of [redacted] on April 28, 1958. Sufficient background is available at the Bureau concerning [redacted] for a check of Identification Records.

Jacksonville and Birmingham are instructed to furnish local police information concerning the possibility that [redacted] and Roper were responsible for the bombings in Jacksonville April 28, 1958, without identifying Gaston as the source of this information inasmuch as to do so might compromise [redacted]

Leads set forth above should be afforded continuous and preferred attention and the results submitted to the Bureau expeditiously. You are reminded that the Bureau is not investigating the bombings which have occurred but is attempting to ascertain if Roper and/or [redacted] are acting in concert with others in the commission of acts which would bring them within purview of Executive Order 10450.

SAC, Miami (44-895)

June 20, 1958

Director, FBI (100-135-63)

BOMBING OF JEWISH CENTER SYNAGOGUE
AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL
BOTH JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA
APRIL 28, 1958
INFORMATION CONCERNING
(INTERNAL SECURITY)

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Reurairtel dated June 16, 1958.

Inasmuch as it is not certain that [redacted] is the source of information regarding dynamite and due to information previously furnished by your office indicating that [redacted] reliability is questionable, authority is denied to interview him at the present time.

Atlanta and Miami are instructed to remain alert for additional information concerning caches of dynamite and promptly advise the Bureau of any such information received.

(2) - Atlanta (100-5755)

1 - Jacksonville (105-64) (Information)

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TRANSMIT THE FOLLOWING IN AIRTEL

VIA _____

JUN 19 1958

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA

SUBJECT: CHANGED
UNITED WHITE PARTY, AKA,
NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY

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The title of this case is marked "Changed" to reflect the new name of the organization as reported by informant.

Transmitted herewith is letterhead memorandum entitled UNITED WHITE PARTY, AKA, National States Rights Party, setting forth information received from informant.

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T-1 is []

- 3 - Bureau (7 encls.) (105-66233) RM
- 1 - Birmingham (1 encl.) (info.) RM
- 1 - Charlotte (1 encl.) (105-683) RM
- 1 - Jacksonville (1 encl.) (info.) RM
- 1 - Knoxville (1 encl.) (105-202) (info.) RM
- 1 - Little Rock (1 encl.) (info.) RM
- 1 - Louisville (1 encl.) (info.) RM
- 1 - Memphis (1 encl.) (info.) RM
- 1 - Miami (1 encl.) (info.) RM
- 1 - Savannah (1 encl.) (info.) RM
- ④ - Atlanta (1 - 105-763)
(1 - 100-4976) (1 - [])
- (1 - 100-5755)

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Atlanta, Georgia

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

JUN 19 1958

UNITED WHITE PARTY, AKA,
NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

Atlanta Confidential Informant T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on March 23, 1958, that [redacted]

[redacted] so that State officials could have first-hand information concerning him.

T-1 advised on April 6, 1958, that [redacted] said he had given up his job with the [redacted] and he took the examination for a clerical position with the Georgia State Revenue Department. He said he would have gotten the position, but Director T. V. WILLIAMS, SR. found out about it, became angry, and said he would have nothing to do with [redacted] told the informant he had obtained a job with [redacted] a brokerage firm in Atlanta. According to T-1, [redacted] said he visited the Georgia Institute of Technology during the week, and was involved in a violent argument with a professor, whom he described as a Communist from up East. [redacted] also stated he visited the Henry Grady High School, and said forty per cent of the students were Jewish, and it made him sick to see them walking down the corridors fraternizing with gentile children. T-1 said [redacted] said he had registered at the [redacted] indicating he felt this group would be easily led. [redacted] also said he was visiting the Georgia State College in Atlanta regularly. T-1 said [redacted] claimed to regularly receive money from out of town.

T-1 advised on April 10, 1958, that [redacted] began working for [redacted] in Atlanta, on [redacted]

HENRY B. KING: MEL
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Atlanta (105-763) (100-4976)

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T-1 advised on April 19, 1958, that he had learned [redacted] had moved, and although his landlady thought he had moved to Decatur, Georgia, he learned [redacted]

T-1 advised on April 20, 1958, that he visited [redacted] which he said [redacted]

T-1 said [redacted] showed him a photograph of a girl, whom he said resided in Detroit, but whom he said is now a member of the U. S. Marines, [redacted]

[redacted] T-1 described the girl as being a good organizer, a good speaker, and intelligent. [redacted] said he had not seen MATT KOEHL, J. B. STONER, or ROBERT and RICHARD BOWLING for several weeks.

T-1 advised on May 20, 1958, that GEORGE BRIGHT said he had been questioned by the Federal Bureau of Investigation concerning J. B. STONER. T-1 said that BILLY BRANHAM was taking pledges for the United White Party, and said he had approximately one hundred dollars per month pledged. T-1 said BRANHAM claimed that J. B. STONER spent most of his time working for the white race in Florida, and at the present time STONER worked only for the National Anti-Jewish League.

T-1 advised on May 23, 1958, that on the night of May 22, 1958, [redacted] said he was planning on entering the [redacted] and when asked if he wanted to further his education, he said "No", that the purpose of his entering school was to work up opposition to the leaders of the college, whom he described as "Integrationists". [redacted] told informant he felt he would have no trouble in entering the school as

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NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY

the school required an average of 3.5, and his average was 4.7.

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T-1 advised on [] that the following persons are active in the United White Party:

CHESTER GRIFFIN, Georgia State Revenue Department.

GEORGE BRIGHT, Roberts and Company, Atlanta.

MATT KOEHL, National Organizer.

BILLY BRANHAM, Courts and Company, Atlanta.

T-1 said []

[] there was a lot of conversation, most of it anti-Jewish, but that little was accomplished on that particular night. MATT KOEHL said he was having difficulty with his draft board as he was delinquent, and deliberately giving them trouble. KOEHL said he was classified 4-F the last year because of psychiatric evaluation, and they had been trying to locate him. T-1 said BRANHAM cursed the Jews, claiming they were the financial strength of the United States, and referred to the number of Jewish people buying stocks and bonds as learned by him through his work at Courts and Company. He indicated to the group that it would be easier for him to determine the names of the Jewish people engaging in stock transactions. T-1 said they referred to [] saying he had twenty-five or thirty machine guns hidden in Alabama. Others mentioned according to informant were WALLACE ALLEN, R. F. JENKINS, and LEROY HAMMOND. T-1 said the United White Party had rented office space on Flat Shoals Avenue in East Atlanta, Georgia.

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T-1 advised on May 27, 1958, that WALLACE ALLEN, GEORGE BRIGHT, and BILLY BRANHAM met briefly on the night of May 26, 1958. It was announced

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NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY

that the United White Party had passed out of existence, and was being replaced by the National States Rights Party, the national headquarters to be in Indiana. T-1 said this was done during the National Meeting in Tennessee, and was not to be announced until July 1, 1958. T-1 said GEORGE DYKES exhibited a sign anti-Jewish in nature, which he expected to exhibit when RABBI DAVID ROTHCHILD appeared as a guest speaker at the First Baptist Church in Atlanta on May 28, 1958. T-1 said it was further decided efforts would be made to infiltrate the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in an effort to obtain additional members.

T-1 advised on May 30, 1958, that the following men were present at an organizational meeting of the National States Rights Party held on May 29, 1958:

KENNETH C. GRIFFIN, Examiner, Georgia
State Revenue Department, 580 Ponce De Leon
Avenue, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia.

GEORGE BRIGHT, Roberts and Company,
residence, 525 Page Avenue, Atlanta,
Georgia.

BILLY BRANHAM, Courts and Company,
residence, 591 North Highland Avenue,
Atlanta, Georgia.

WALLACE ALLEN, self-employed, residence,
5531 Roswell Road, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia.

JERRY EASTLING, member, Atlanta Klavern #213,
U. S. Klans.

T-1 advised on June 5, 1958, that a meeting was held on the night of June 4, 1958, at 591 North Highland Avenue, Atlanta, Georgia, for the purpose of electing officers. T-1 advised that five men were present, and the following officers were elected:

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BILLY BRANHAM, Chairman.
CHESTER GRIFFIN, Vice Chairman.
GEORGE BRIGHT, Information and
Security.
WALLACE ALLEN, Local Organizer.
L. E. ROGERS, Secretary-Treasurer,
and Assistant Security Officer.

ALLEN was not present.

BRANHAM said he was filing another suit in Louisville, and when it was settled, he would have sufficient money for his organization to operate on. T-1 said GEORGE BRIGHT had a Japanese "range finder", which he demonstrated, advising that the "range finder" had an advantage over ordinary field glasses, and you could observe through these glasses for hours without becoming tired. T-1 said every so often GEORGE BRIGHT went outside, and looked up into the trees for the purpose of determining if FBI agents were observing or listening to their meeting. BRIGHT told the informant he never allows anyone to pick him up at his house. He advised if he is to meet someone, he walks through parks, and otherwise mixes himself with other people, and observed closely to determine if he is being followed. T-1 said AL BRIGHT, brother of GEORGE BRIGHT, is also a member.

T-1 advised on June 8, 1958, that the National States Rights Party had rented office space at 524 Flat Shoals Avenue, S. E., Atlanta, Georgia, and the members had made a close examination of the room for a secret compartment, loose brick or loose tile, and rechecked all windows and doors. Upon finishing the examination, it was announced they were satisfied with the security of this room, adding they had to be careful to determine if the Federal Bureau of Investigation had installed microphones.

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T-1 said the conversation did not in any way indicate they would

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commit this act, but said this was their wish.

T-1 stated further BRANHAM visits the States Rights Council of Georgia regularly, but the persons he contacts do not know of his affiliation with the National States Rights Party.

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T-1 advised that the following is the complete organizational setup of the National States Rights Party:

"NATIONAL ORGANIZATION

1. General Officers: (a) chairman; (b) vice-chairman; (c) secy-treas.
2. Functional Officers: (a) organizer; (b) information officer
3. National officers are elected by the majority vote of local delegates.

"LOCAL ORGANIZATION

1. Election of a chairman, vice-chairman and secretary-treasurer by the membership.
2. Election of two (2) unofficial board members by membership.
3. Nomination of several (4/5) candidates for national committeemen, of whom the national office would appoint two (2). These individuals would serve with the other elected persons on a 7-man local board.
4. All founders would serve on the tentative local board.
5. Thereafter, elections would be held once a year.

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- "6. The chairman shall preside over the group and serve as its spokesman.
7. The vice-chairman shall assist the chairman, and serve as acting chairman when necessary.
8. The secretary-treasurer shall hold all reports, documents and correspondence in safe keeping, and handle all funds, make the necessary disbursements, issue receipts, etc. (*bonding or drafts as check).
9. One national committeeman shall act as representative of the Party's Organization Division. It shall be his duty to concern himself with the details of operation, to insure discipline and efficiency in the organization. He shall be in charge of group security (including its legal defenses), shall give advice on the scheduling of activities, and assist in the formation of working teams.
10. The other national committeeman shall act as representative of the Party's Information Division, supervising information and propaganda to the general public, and provide for the indoctrination and education of members.
11. The local board shall decide on all matters of a local nature.
12. Establishment of all necessary committees (e.g., activities, membership, detail, welfare, meetings, etc.)
13. Establishment of 4-man teams to carry out the work of the Party. (Every Party member shall be part of an assigned group, shall have the distinction of a particular position with definite duties and responsibilities.

"MEETINGS

1. Meetings shall be held at least once a week.
2. Meetings shall be thoroughly planned in advance to insure total interest.
3. The chairman shall preside over meetings.
4. Individual discussion shall be limited (5 min./).
5. Length of reports shall be limited (10 min./).

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"POSSIBLE ACTIVITIES

1. Petitioning legislative officials; appearing before legislative committee hearings.
2. Questionnaires to candidates at election time.
3. Picketing.
4. Street corner distribution of literature.
5. Door-to-door work.
6. Attending opposition meetings with unfriendly intent.
7. Motorcades.
8. Commemorations and wreath-layings.
9. Detail work.
10. Letter writing committee.
11. Telephone committee.
12. Mass mailings.
13. Recruiting drives.
14. Boycotts.
15. Propaganda stunts.
16. Film showings (e.g., "Birth of A Nation")
17. Picnics and barbecues.
18. Special dinners.
19. Charity collections in hardship cases.
20. Special awards.

"EXPENSES

1. Office.
2. Telephone & Secretarial Services.
3. Miscellaneous.

"Program of the National States Rights Party

"RACIAL POLICY

1. We believe in the creation of a wholesome White Folk Community, with a deep spiritual consciousness of a common past and a determination to share a common future.
2. We favor complete separation of all non-whites and dissatisfied racial minorities from our White Folk Community.

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- "3. We demand that intermarriage between Whites and non-Whites be outlawed, in all states not already having such restrictions.
4. We demand that total segregation be maintained in the nation's schools, and that only members of the White Folk Community be allowed to engage in the educational and cultural activities of our White society.
5. We believe that segregation should be restored in the nation's armed forces, to rebuild morale and fighting efficiency.
6. We believe it better that only members of our White Folk Community be allowed to take part in the affairs of government or serve in the courts.
7. We demand a policy of non-interference in the cultural affairs of other races.
8. We favor creation of a National Repatriation Commission, to encourage the voluntary resettlement of Negroes in their African homeland, with fullest financial and economic assistance toward that end.
9. We approve the removal of all alien minorities, dissatisfied with our American way of life and the republic for which we stand.
10. We favor the preservation of Indian national life in America, and the unlimited development of reservation facilities.
11. We believe that immigrants should be selected as individuals, and that only White persons should be considered.

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"ECONOMIC POLICY

1. We believe that the workers, farmers, businessmen and professional people of our nation should work together as a team, placing the greater good of our White Folk Community above any individual or group interest.
2. We approve of labor unions, run by honest white men, and free of subversive influence.
3. We believe that the farmer should get a fair price for his product in a free market.
4. We believe that the government should refrain from competing with private enterprise and from interfering in the hiring policies of private business.
5. We demand that Congress alone exercise its constitutional right to issue debt- and interest-free currency, based on the production of goods and renderance of services in America.
6. We favor protection of the White American producer by limiting foreign trade to the direct exchange of surplus products.
7. We believe that the purchasing power of the consumer should be raised proportionately, as science increases the power to produce.
8. We demand that the confiscatory taxation policies of the federal government be ended immediately.

"SOCIAL POLICY

1. We favor combined civic effort in every White community to eliminate slum, flood and dust-bowl conditions.
2. We favor creation of proper outlets for the White youth of our nation, to encourage the development of mind and muscle, and provide for instruction in the highest racial ideals.

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- "3. We demand the complete reorganization of our educational system, so that every individual White citizen is afforded full opportunity to realize his vocational ambitions.
4. We demand the elimination of all ideology and influences from the movies, television, radio, newspapers and all other phases of our national life which tend to cause the degeneration and distintegration of our W.F.C.
5. We demand the creation of a clean and honest white government, which will provide the basis for a sound economy, with full employment and improved living conditions for White citizens of every age.

"STATES RIGHTS POLICY

1. We demand that the federal government cease interfering with the sovereign rights of the states, as guaranteed by the Constitution.
2. We demand that the federal government stop issuing judicial decrees which violate state sovereignty.
3. We demand that the federal government stop fostering thought-control, and refrain from violating the traditional social customs of the individual states.
4. We demand the removal of all federal control over the national guard units and law enforcement agencies of the states.
5. We demand that all states exercise their authority to stop secret police tactics employed against them by the federal government.
6. We demand that the states uphold their right to investigate, prosecute, and obtain conviction of subversives within their borders.

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"The only point which seems to be in our way now is the use of the THUNDERBOLT symbol. I have shown this symbol to many people in the North and surrounding area and have received no shock or fear of its great and forcefull appearance. Now, you must understand that we have 'watered down' the National States Rights Party, to a rather dangerous level, this was done in order to allow the organization to become a truly mass movement, thus giving us one year to indoctrinate our following with the full meaning of this White Nationalist Movement. Without the THUNDERBOLT, we are just another Klan, or White Citizen Council. This Party must be different, it must be the final answer to America's soul searching problems.

"All great movements have had great and meaningful symbols, they have been in great measure responsible for the tremendous progress made by certain successful mass movements. The Christians had their Cross, the Jews the Star of Zion, the Germans the Swastika, the Reds the Hammer & Sickle. And we have our THUNDERBOLT. I have searched my mind for something that could take the place of, or at least partly measure up to the THUNDERBOLT. And in my mind there is no other symbol. But let us look at the kind of attack that might be made against us for using this symbol. They might say that we are Fascist, or another Columbian organization, which was labeled subversive. Now, first of all, lets look at how we stand, Two Klans are on the subversive list, and this has not at all hurt the klan's comeback, also, we can sue anyone who even insinuates that we are subversive. Besides, after J. Edgar Hoover's book, 'Masters of Deceit', we must begin a all out attack on the Justice Department and its branch, the F.B.I., for being used to forcefully integrate the White Race. Any attack on the States Rights party, will boomerang, because no one will ever believe that the States Rights Party is subversive or fascist. These smears, will not be forthcoming, untill the enemy gives much thought to how to counter this new Movement.

"Now, I realize that Atlanta was the birth place of the Columbians and the THUNDERBOLT symbol itself. This reason alone makes it necessary for us to make a stand in Atlanta. Do you know of the great enthusiam and amazing growth of the Thunderbolt Movement in Atlanta, in its 6

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"month life spand right after W. W. II. In my opinion, we should take up this same fight. EMORY BURKES book 'Chain-Ganged' should be republished, the same miserable politicians who framed BURKE are today in office.

"This fight started in 1946 with the formation of the Columbians, and it was named in 1948 by Sen. STROM THURMOND, & Gov. WRIGHT of Miss. So in my way of thinkink, the N.S.R.P. was founded by BURKE, THURMOND & WRIGHT, and that's exactly what I intend to tell the people. JOHN KASPER is another man we are going to stand by and hold up as a hero in this movement, REV. COLE is still another. We must not, we will not abandon, these front fighters who gave their all, that is why I say we can make a tremendous fight in Atlanta, The first thing the NSRP in Atlanta should, in speeches & literature, reopen the EMORY BURKE frameup trail, and demand the impeachment of PAUL WEBB and Mayor HEARTSFIELD and all the other slimy politicians who aided in the bribing of witnesses against BURKE - making it hot for the other side is the best possible way to protect yourself, against being framed up yourself. Therefore the BURKE case is an important key to final victory. Remember, one of our main targets, must be the phoney Southern politician who is pretending to stand up for the White Race.

"When we held our first organizational meeting in Knoxville, there were over 100 Nationalist leaders who were there, and put in their 2¢ worth in advising us on the formation of the U.W.P. Once we gave in to their wishes, and formed the Party to their exact liking, they (75% of them) failed to even sign an application blank to join their own party! Therefore, I want to know right now, how many of the group who met with you and MATT, will sign application blanks and be open, loal local officers of the Atlanta Unit of the NSRP, if we left off the THUNDERBOLT symbol? If you do not know, phone them right now and ask them this very question? In my opinion, we should use the symbol openly and proudly - NOW. But it is possible that we could print literature for the Atlanta area, leaving off the Thunderbolt symbol cut on your literature. But I feel that this would weaken you, because to make headway in Atlanta, the BURKE case must be opened for the people to make final judgement.

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"The same thing is true in Nashville, the people are not fighting, because of fear over the KASPER arrest, to ignore this would be fatal. The KASPER case must be part of your firing amunition, to regain lost prestige and honor. We cannot back off from past defeats, they must be turned into victories, and that can be done by continuous hammering away with the true facts.

"The following are two people who have just written the UWP, and are interested in joining, please look them up:"

Mr. & Mrs. BRUCE MELVIN
806 Dixie Ave. N. E.
Atlanta, Ga.

Mr. W. R. EMMONS
971 Piedmont Ave. N.E.
Atlanta 8, Ga.

"A copy of this letter is going to MATT and NED in Knoxville. Please Air Mail your answer to both myself, and MATT in Knoxville.

"But, remember that this Party is not listed as subversive, has no members that are former Columbians, is only using the most ancient symbol of the White Race and is the one and only, true States Rights Party.

"Faithfully Yours

/s/ DR. EDWARD R. FIELDS
1017 Bardstown Rd.,
Louisville 5, Ky.

"P.S. You fellows can go ahead and feel your way along in organizing, as far as the symbol goes, but I feel that it will help the National organization, We can state that local units are using any symbol they want, until you get your feet on the ground, but I would only do this if those men who fear for their jobs, WILL DEFINITELY TAKE AN OPEN STAND AND AN OFFICIAL PARTY OFFICE (NOW) in Atlanta, if they back off for us, the hard core, to be

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"in the open, then, we might as well use the symbol, and they will be anonymous members and their emplolyers will never know the difference. Please check into this closely and let us know by Air Mail reply before we go into print. Remember the actual mass in the street will follow truth, HOW MANY LEADERS CAN YOU NAME IN THE ATLANTA AREA, WHO WILL LEAD THEM? Write us immediately."

T-1 advised on June 1, 1958, that GEORGE BRIGHT said he caused quite a stir at the First Baptist Church on May 28, 1958, when he exhibited a placard calling Rabbi ROTHCILD a "Christ Killer". T-1 stated WALLACE ALLEN said he did not want J. B. STONER and ROBERT and RICHARD BOWLING of the Christian Anti-Jewish Party, to have anything to do with the National States Rights Party. T-1 stated BILLY BRANHAM said he expected to join the Druid Hills Baptist Church in order to be able to use the pastor as a reference.

T-1 stated that CHESTER GRIFFIN said one of the main objectives of the National States Rights Party should be to get the States' Rights so strongly entrenched that they could have all FBI agents hunted down, and placed in jail. GRIFFIN said they would have no trouble with the Federal Government if this were accomplished as the FBI agents are always snooping around, and snooping up on people.

T-1 stated further that a two page pamphlet entitled, "Is Communism Jewish" was distributed by GEORGE BRIGHT.

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URGENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-135-63)

FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (62-1915)

RACON, JACKSONVILLE, FLA. BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL (NEGRO) APR. TWENTYEIGHT, FIFTYEIGHT. INFO CONCERNING (IS). RE BH RADIOGRAM JUNE EIGHTEEN LAST. COMMISSIONER EUGENE CONNOR, BH PD, ADVISED SA ROY M. OSBORN THAT HIS INFORMANT CAME TO HIS OFFICE ON THIS DATE AND THAT PLANS ARE PRESENTLY UNDERWAY TO HAVE THE INFORMANT BRING J. B. STONER TO BH ON EITHER FRIDAY, JUN TWENTY, OR SATURDAY, JUN TWENTYFIRST, UNDER PRETEXT TO DISCUSS A BOMBING ~~AND THAT HE~~ PLANS TO HAVE CAPTAIN GEORGE L. PATTIE AND DETECTIVE TOM COOK ^{POSE AS RADICALS AND} INTERVIEW STONER, BUT STATED THEY DO NOT PLAN TO ARREST STONER, BUT ONLY INTEND TO TRY TO PICK HIM FOR INFO. CONNOR STATED STONER IS SUPPOSED TO TELEPHONICALLY CONTACT HIS INFORMANT IN MONTGOMERY, ALA. ON THE P.M. OF THIS DATE AND THAT HE WILL KNOW DEFINITELY ON THE

- 1 - BH (62-1915)
 - ① - Atlanta (100-5755) (Info) (AM)
 - 1 - Jacksonville (105-64) (Info) (AM)
 - 1 - Knoxville (Info) (AM)
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 - 1 - Savannah (Info) (AM)
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MORNING OF JUN TWENTIETH IF THE INFORMANT IS GOING TO BRING STONER TO BH AS PLANNED. CONNOR STATED THEY HAVE RECEIVED INFO FROM THE STATE FARM INSURANCE COMPANY THAT STONER HAS BEEN TRANSFERRED FROM DUBLIN, GA. TO SAVANNAH, GA. CONNOR STATED ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE TO SECURE HOTEL ROOMS AT THE BANKHEAD HOTEL IN BH FOR THE ABOVE MEETING AND ARRANGEMENTS MADE BY BH PD FOR A TESUR. THE BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED OF THE RESULTS OF STONER'S MEETING WITH BH POLICE OFFICERS ~~UNDER DISCUSS~~, IF THE SAID MEETING TAKES PLACE. CONNOR STATED THAT IN CONVERSATION WITH HIS INFORMANT TODAY INFORMANT WAS OF THE OPINION THAT ONLY FIVE OR SIX MEN ARE MEMBERS OF THE CONFEDERATE UNDERGROUND AND THAT THE HOME OF E. O. MORRIS IN ATLANTA, GA. IS POSSIBLY A CLEARING HOUSE FOR THIS GROUP.

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REGISTERED MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-444)

RACON, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA,
BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH
CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES
WELDON JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL (NEGRO)
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On 6-18-58, [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised SA JAMES M. UNDERHILL that on 6-15-58, he was in a conversation with FRANK GASTON, who says he is a Detective on the Tampa, Fla., PD.

GASTON stated he is connected with Klan matters with BILL HENDRIX and indicated they are strongly against Jews. He claimed that the Mayor and much of the PD at Tampa are at least sympathetic.

GASTON stated that the men who blew up the school and synagogue at Jacksonville were [redacted] and [redacted]. He did not further identify them except that [redacted] is from Atlanta and [redacted] is from Fla. He stated their purpose in doing this was to harm HENDRIX and his organization.

- 3 - Bureau (RM)
- 2 - Jacksonville (100-64) (RM)
- 1 - Miami (Info.) (RM)
- 1 - Atlanta (Info.) (RM)
- 2 - Charlotte (44-444)

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GASTON stated [redacted] and [redacted] are connected with [redacted]

[redacted] E. L. EDWARDS established the U. S. Klans. He said that [redacted] is backed by the Anti-Defamation League and other Jews to do these things to bring public reaction against "the Klan."

GASTON stated he is sure, and so is BILL HENDRIX, that these persons caused these explosions, and for the purpose stated, but he did not state the basis for this belief or knowledge. He stated "we" are not going to "put the finger on them with the law."

It is pointed out that informant has no knowledge whether there is any truth in the statements of GASTON. These statements were made while GASTON was on a visit in S. C., and he is believed to have returned to Tampa. In view of the doubt as to the reliability of this information, it is not being furnished in form suitable for dissemination. In the absence of special factors not known to CE, it is recommended no approach be made to FRANK GASTON about this matter, and based on statements of GASTON, caution is recommended in contacts in Klan matters with Tampa PD.

If identities of [redacted] and [redacted] known, it is suggested Jacksonville have Identification Division compare their prints with those obtained by Birmingham, Ala., PD, as set out in Buairtel 5-28-58, entitled "CHRISTIAN ANTI-JEWISH PARTY, IS - K." If informant obtains any further information, it will be promptly furnished.

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URGENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-135-63)

FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (62-1915)

RACON, JACKSONVILLE, FLA. BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH CENTER
SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL /NEGRO/ 4-28-58.

INFO CONCERNING /IS/. RENVIAIRTEL JUNE SEVENTEEN LAST.

COMMISSIONER EUGENE CONNOR, BH PD, ADVISED THIS DATE THAT
EFFORTS TO OBTAIN INFO ON MONDAY NIGHT, JUN SIXTEEN LAST, AS
SET OUT IN BH AIRTEL JUN SEVENTEEN LAST, WERE NEGATIVE. CONNOR
FURTHER ADVISED HE HAS A PLANNED MEETING WITH THE INFORMANT
AT BH ON THURSDAY, JUN NINETEEN NEXT, AND THE BUREAU WILL BE
ADVISED OF INFO FURNISHED BY CONNOR.

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A I R M A I L

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-134-63)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (44-895)

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BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH
CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON,
JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL (NEGRO), 4/28/58

Re Atlanta airtel to Bureau, 6/7/58; and Butel,
6/10/58 to Miami, Atlanta and Jacksonville, captioned
"U. S. KLANS, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., IS - Klan."

Miami files contain no info tending to corroborate
that [redacted] is source of info re dynamite, particularly
as time or informant's alleged trip to Atlanta not stated.
[redacted] was formerly associated with [redacted] in
Association of Georgia Klans, but, in recent years, has been
at odds with him and denounced [redacted] in press at the time
[redacted] visited Tampa in summer of 1957.

As Bureau is aware, [redacted] has been interviewed in
past and has been cooperative, although reliability not known.
He has also contacted Tampa RA to volunteer info from time to
time. Recommend [redacted] be interviewed in general way re
knowledge of dynamite caches, etc., without revealing our
knowledge of info furnished by [redacted] Advise.

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1 - Jacksonville (105-64) (Info) (RM)
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W. J. Miller *Adm*

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (66-15743)

FROM : SAC, JACKSONVILLE (105-72)

SUBJECT: CHRISTIAN ANTI-JEWISH PARTY
INTERNAL SECURITY - X
OO: ATLANTA

DATE: JUN 11 1958

Enclosed is the report of SA BENNETT M. HIRSH dated as above at Jacksonville in captioned matter, as well as sufficient copies of letterhead memorandum evaluating informants mentioned in this report.

REFERENCE: Bureau teletype dated 5/19/58
Bureau airtel dated 6/5/58

ADMINISTRATIVE

A review of the Jacksonville files failed to identify any members of the Christian Anti-Jewish Party or any other persons who might be associates of J. B. STONER.

A copy of the evaluation of Informant memorandum is being furnished to each of the Intelligence agencies to whom copies of report are being furnished.

IDENTITY OF INFORMANTS

FOIA(b)(7) - (D)

T-1 is Jacksonville [redacted] T-2 is Jacksonville [redacted]
T-3 is Jacksonville [redacted] The above three Informants furnished the information reported, orally, to SA BENNETT M. HIRSH on the dates indicated.

T-4 is Jacksonville [redacted] who furnished the information reported, orally, to SA HOMER E. DUNLAP on the date indicated.

T-5 is Jacksonville [redacted] who furnished the information reported, orally, to SA FRED E. GORDON on the date indicated.

T-6 is Jacksonville [redacted] T-7 is Jacksonville [redacted]
T-8 is Jacksonville [redacted] The above three Informants furnished the information reported, orally, to SA ROBERT H. ANDERSON, Jr. on the dates indicated.

- 2 - BUREAU (ENCL. 12) (RM) (AM)
 - 1 - BIRMINGHAM (100-4314) (INFO) (ENCL. 2) (RM)
 - 1 - SAVANNAH (100-4272) (INFO) (ENCL. 2) (RM)
 - ③ - ATLANTA (100-4976) (1-100-5755) (ENCL. 6) (RM)
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The Confidential Informants and other sources contacted, who also furnished negative information as reported in this report, are the following:

[redacted] who
furnished the information to SA
JAMES B. HAFLEY at Tallahassee
on 5/27/58.

FOIA(b)(7) - (D) [redacted] Pensacola,
who furnished the information
to SA ROBERT L. CRONGEYER on
5/27/58.

[redacted]
who furnished the information to
SA TULLIS D. EASTERLING at Panama
City on 5/29/58.

[redacted]
Florida, who furnished the informa-
tion to SA CLARK L. NEWTON on
5/28/58.

Careful consideration has been given to each source concealed in this report, and T symbols were utilized only in those instances where the identity of the source must be concealed.

Information copies are designated for the Birmingham and Savannah Offices in view of the investigations being conducted by them of this and similar type organizations.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Jacksonville, 1, Florida
June 11, 1958

CHRISTIAN ANTI-JEWISH PARTY
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

Reference is made to report of Special Agent
BENNETT M. HIRSH dated and captioned as above.

All Informants mentioned in this report have
furnished reliable information in the past.

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and neither it nor its contents are to be distributed
outside the agency to which loaned.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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TITLE OF CASE CHRISTIAN ANTI-JEWISH PARTY		REPORT MADE BY BENNETT M. HIRSH	TYPED BY mlk
		CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - X	

SYNOPSIS:

Confidential Informants of the Jacksonville Division advised that the name of J. B. STONER is not known to them nor do they know the name of the Christian Anti-Jewish Party as ever having been in existence in north Florida.

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DETAILS: AT JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

TEDDY KING, 411 Northwest 110th Street, Miami, Florida, furnished on June 9, 1953 an envelope postmarked Jacksonville, Florida, June 7, 1953, addressed to his close friend, ALSTON J. CAIN, 401 Northwest 110th Street, Miami. This envelope contained anti-Jewish literature put out by the Christian Anti-Jewish Party, Box 48, Atlanta, Georgia. The source of this literature in Jacksonville was not known to KING or CAIN.

Confidential Informant Jacksonville T-1 advised on May 26, 1958 that he recalled some years ago learning of the receipt of the literature in Jacksonville issued by the Christian Anti-Jewish Party. T-1, who has been very active in Klan and Citizen

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Council organizations in Jacksonville and vicinity, stated that to his knowledge the Christian Anti-Jewish Party was never established in Jacksonville or vicinity.

The Informant advised on June 2, 1958 that he made additional inquiries among sources available to him, but that none of these sources indicated the existence in Jacksonville of the Christian Anti-Jewish Party.

Confidential Informant Jacksonville T-2 advised on May 26, 1958 that he had heard the name of the Christian Anti-Jewish Party, but stated that to his knowledge this group had never been organized in Jacksonville or vicinity. This Informant stated that he had never heard the name JESSE B. STONER, and did not know this name in connection with Klan activities in this area.

Confidential Informant Jacksonville T-3 advised on May 26, 1958 that the name of J. B. STONER was not known to him. This Informant stated that he had never heard the name of the Christian Anti-Jewish Party as having been established in Jacksonville or vicinity.

Confidential Informant Jacksonville T-4 advised on May 29, 1958 that name of the Christian Anti-Jewish Party was not familiar to him in the Gainesville, Florida area. This Informant stated that he did not believe this group had ever been activated in that area.

Confidential Informant Jacksonville T-5 advised on May 28, 1958 that the name of J. B. STONER was not familiar to him. This Informant said that to his knowledge the Christian Anti-Jewish Party was never organized in Daytona or Volusia County, Florida.

Confidential Informants Jacksonville T-6, T-7, and T-8 advised on May 27, May 28, and May 27, 1958, respectively, that the name of J. B. STONER was not known to them in Ocala and the central Florida area. These Informants stated that the name of the Christian Anti-Jewish Party also was not familiar to them, and that they did not believe this organization ever became activated in the Ocala area.

All of the above Informants indicated that the name of J. B. STONER was not familiar to them.

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Confidential Informants and other reliable sources in the area of Tallahassee, Pensacola, Panama City, and St. Augustine, Florida, have advised, when interviewed recently, that the name of J. B. STONER was not known to them nor was the name of the Christian Anti-Jewish Party known to them.

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Date: 6-17-58

Transmit the following in _____
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 Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL

TO : Director, FBI (100-135-63)

FROM: SAC, Birmingham (62-1915)

RE : RACON, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.
 BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH
 CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON
 JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL (NEGRO) 4-28-58.
 INFO CONCERNING (IS)

Remyairtel to Bureau 6-12-58.

Commissioner EUGENE "BULL" CONNOR, BH PD, advised SA ROY M. OSBORN on 6-16-58, that J. B. STONER had paid a visit to his informant at the informant's residence in Montgomery, Ala., on Saturday afternoon, 6-14-58, and that informant told STONER he had to make a trip to Birmingham to bring two nieces back to Montgomery and STONER made the trip to BH with informant. Informant told Commissioner CONNOR that enroute STONER had bragged about calling a judge in Nashville, Tennessee, after the bombing of the school last fall, in which he "scared the judge so bad that the highway patrol was called out as a guard for the judge." STONER told informant that he had (two men) in Chattanooga who would blow up Rev. F. L. SHUTTLESWORTH's (a Negro integration leader in BH) home and church in BH and that while they were in BH on Saturday, 6-14-58, informant took STONER by to see SHUTTLESWORTH's home and church. STONER told informant they could get SHUTTLESWORTH's church or home blown up for \$2,000.00.

Commissioner CONNOR stated they had presented these facts to Solicitor EMMETT PERRY of the 10th Judicial District, BH, and

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- ② - Atlanta (100-5755) (AM-RM)
- 1 - Jacksonville (105-64) (AM-RM)
- 1 - Knoxville (Info) (AM-RM)
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Mr. CONNOR also had in his possession a book written by J. B. STONER entitled "The Gospel of Jesus Christ Versus the Jews," with a subheading "The Christians Attitude Toward the Jews" as explained by J. B. STONER.

CONNOR stated he was supposed to get in telephonic contact with his informant at 6:00 p.m. on Monday night, 6-16-58, as to instructions as to whether informant should bring STONER to BH for a pretext meeting. CONNOR stated STONER was supposed to call informant at 8:00 p.m. on Monday night, 6-16-58, at the informant's home in Montgomery.

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Cover Sheet for Informant Report or Material
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Method of delivery (check appropriate blocks) ☒ in person ☐ by telephone ☐ by mail ☐ orally ☐ recording device ☒ written by Informant		
If orally furnished and reduced to writing by Agent: Dictated _____ to _____ Transcribed _____ Authenticated by Informant _____		Date of Report 5-19-58 & 5-20-58. Date(s) of activity 5-19-58 & 5-20-58.
Brief description of activity or material Informant's conversation with on 5-19-58 & 5-20-58.		File where original is located if not attached

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[redacted]
"May 19/58
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"I called [redacted] tonight, he said he wanted to see me tomorrow night. He said [redacted] gave him the name of a "Geo Bryant (?). He said he looked up the file on Bryant at Courts & Co. & said apparently he was a wealthy man. Said Bryant did business with Courts & Co.

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"I saw [redacted] tonight, the man was Geo. Bright I was supposed to meet. Geo Bright was not there. [redacted] said he saw a man today May 20/58 who was telling him that the F.B.I. was inquiring about J. B. Stoner. I took this man to be Geo. Bright.
[redacted]
[redacted]

[redacted] said J. B. Stoner spends most his time in Florida working for the "White Race," He says he is doing a good job. I asked him pointedly which organization J. B. Stoner was pushing the most. [redacted] said at present J. B. Stoner only worked in the "National Anti-Jewish League." Said he (J.B.) usually worked alone. Said J. B. was tight lipped. I asked specifically what J. B. was doing to help the white race in Florida. He said, "Blowing up Synagogues, what do you think?" I said, [redacted] J. B. will get caught doing things like that; [redacted] answered, Not J. B. he's too smart to get caught. I said to [redacted] Stoner, being a lawyer, doesn't know anything about explosives or dynamite. [redacted] said Oh; yes he does. He has a good working knowledge of a lot of things.

[redacted] said [redacted] is in contact with him."

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TO - SACS MIAMI, ATLANTA, AND JACKSONVILLE
FROM - DIRECTOR 1P

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TIME. MIAMI REVIEW ITS FILES FOR INFORMATION TENDING TO
CORROBORATE THAT [REDACTED] IS SOURCE THIS INFORMATION,
SUBMIT SAME TO BUREAU TOGETHER WITH RECOMMENDATIONS RE
INTERVIEWING [REDACTED] -----

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6/7/58

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AIRMAIL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA

SUBJECT: RACON, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.,
BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH
CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON
JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL (NEGRO) 4-28-58

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On 6/7/58 [redacted] confidentially advised he had been in conversation with [redacted] and the latter in general conversation said he had been talking with a [redacted] and that [redacted] said he visited Atlanta sometime ago and observed a quantity of dynamite and Flambeaus in a house between College Park and Fairburn, Ga. [redacted] said [redacted] claimed to be aiding a Fla. State Un-American Activity Committee, and [redacted] gained the impression that [redacted] thought the dynamite might be owned by J. B. STONER or other members of the Christian Anti-Jewish Party.

[redacted] said that [redacted] was no longer with the Klan, but was formerly an official of the Klan in Tampa, Fla. It will be noted that [redacted] who formerly operated a [redacted] in Tampa was at one time very active in the Klan. [redacted] is of the opinion this is the [redacted] referred to by [redacted]

[redacted] upon contact said that about ten days ago an investigator, from out of state, contacted him and said he had talked with an informant about two months previously and this informant claimed that at some time

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previously he visited E. L. EDWARDS in Atlanta, Ga. and while here observed a quantity of dynamite and homemade bombs in a house South of College Park, Ga. [] said that he had never talked with this informant, but received his information through the investigator and that he did not think too much of the information due to the fact it happened sometime ago. He stated the agent had no idea as to the owner of the dynamite and that he had not connected the dynamite with the Christian Anti-Jewish Party except that he understood that a sister of [] formerly of the Christian Anti-Jewish Party at one time resided somewhere South of College Park, Ga. [] said this informant had agreed to come to Atlanta at some future date and attempt to point out the house where he observed the dynamite. [] said he did not feel at liberty to divulge the name of the Investigator nor the Investigator's informant, but said this informant claimed to have severed his relations with the Klan after observing this dynamite.

UACB by Wednesday 6/11/58 Miami at Tampa will attempt to locate and interview [] regarding this dynamite.

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AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, JACKSONVILLE (105-64)

RE: BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH CENTER
SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON
HIGH SCHOOL (NEGRO), BOTH JACKSONVILLE,
FLORIDA, APRIL 28, 1958
INFORMATION CONCERNING
(INTERNAL SECURITY)

Detective Sergeant JAMES CREWS, Jacksonville PD, advised 6/6/58 that Mrs. KAY SMITH, who furnished information concerning presence of an unidentified male in a 1956 Chevrolet with white license tag and black numerals, License A9, was interrogated at PD Thursday, 6/5/58, by former Chief of Police LESLIE QUIGG, of Miami, Fla., Assistant Chief of Police H. V. BRANCH, Detective Sergeant CREWS, and Deputy Sheriff MARVIN HAYES, in presence of female police stenographer. Witness was placed under hypnosis by former Chief QUIGG, during which time she reiterated information originally furnished by her and furnished some additional details not inconsistent with original statement. In this connection, she stated that the car she observed was a Chevrolet, white in color, with a Fla. license plate bearing number 3M 1125. A check of this license indicates, however, that it has not as yet been issued by the License Bureau in Hillsborough County, Fla.

Witness indicated that the front of the car she observed appeared to be of a model one year older than the impression she gained of the year of the car viewing it from the rear end. In describing the flash of light which she

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observed, she stated that after the car drove to a stop in back of the Synagogue Auditorium, she observed a man sitting behind the steering wheel. She observed a flash of light as if he were lighting something, whereupon she observed this light move from behind the steering wheel over toward the right front window of the car. Then she observed this man get out of the car to the left and lean over the seat, at which time she noticed some object moving from the right front seat back toward the left front door, after which she did not see any further flash of light. She did not observe anything which impressed her as indicating some object was being tossed toward the back of the Synagogue Auditorium.

Mrs. SMITH was reinterviewed by Detective Sergeant CREWS and MARVIN HAYES today, 6/6/68, at which time she stated that she did not feel that she was completely under hypnosis during much of the interview the previous day since some things seemed vague in her mind. CREWS has under consideration requesting Dr. SULLIVAN REDELL, psychiatrist and staff member of the Duval County Medical Center, to interrogate this witness while under the influence of a truth serum. In the event such interrogation takes place, the Bureau will be kept advised.

Detective Sergeant CREWS indicated no other matters of significance under investigation.

Director, FBI

6/6/58

SAC, Atlanta

CHRISTIAN ANTI-JEWISH PARTY
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Enclosed is the report of SA HENRY E. KING at Atlanta, Ga., dated 6/6/58, in captioned matter, as well as sufficient copies of letterhead memorandum evaluating informants used in this report.

Reference

Bureau teletype dated 5/19/58

Atlanta airtel to Bureau, 5/16/58

Jacksonville teletype dated 5/20/58

Administrative

Considerable investigation has been conducted since 5/19/58 concerning J. B. STONER and ROBERT and RICHARD BOWLING, particularly in view of the bombing of the Jacksonville Jewish Center Synagogue, and JAMES WELDON JOHNSON High School, Jacksonville, Fla. It is realized that J. B. STONER's present whereabouts are known, but inasmuch as Jacksonville requested that this information not be disseminated, same is not being included in an investigative report.

J. B. STONER and the BOWLING boys are well known to leaders and members of similar "Right-Wing" type organizations, and are

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- 1 - Birmingham (2 encls.) (100-4314) RM (info.)
- 1 - Jacksonville (2 encls.) (info.) RM
- 1 - Savannah (2 encls.) (info.) (100-4272) RM
- 3 - Atlanta (2 - 100-4976)
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discussed often in connection with the United White Party. Atlanta has an informant who has been elected an official of the Atlanta Unit of the United White Party, and although the Atlanta members of the United White Party consider J. B. STONER a very great man, there is no apparent affiliation by STONER with the UWP at this time.

The Bureau and interested offices will be furnished detailed information concerning the United White Party by separate communication within the very near future.

Investigation at Rt. 4, St. Elmo, Tenn. conducted by SA DAVID R. GALLAGHER.

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THE BIRMINGHAM, JACKSONVILLE, and SAVANNAH DIVISIONS

Information copies being designated for the above offices in view of investigations being conducted by those offices in connection with this and similar type organizations.

ATLANTA

At Atlanta, Ga.

Will continue efforts to locate present address of ROBERT and RICHARD BOWLING and determine activity of the Christian Anti-Jewish Party.

Informants

Careful consideration has been given to each source that is concealed in this report and T symbols were utilized only in those instances where the identity of the source must be concealed.

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Identity of Source	Description of Information and/or date of Activity	Date Received	Agent to Whom Furnished	File Where Located
T-1 is [redacted]	Information re P.O. Box 48 [redacted]	5/14/58	HENRY E. KING	Instant report
T-2 is [redacted]	Negative information re CAJP	6/2/58	HENRY E. KING	Instant report
T-3 is [redacted]	Negative information re CAJP	6/2/58	HENRY E. KING	Instant report
T-4 is [redacted]	Information re J. B. STONER and ROBERT and RICHARD BOWLING	5/19/58	HENRY E. KING	[redacted]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Atlanta, Georgia
June 6, 1958

CHRISTIAN ANTI-JEWISH PARTY
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

Atlanta Confidential Informants T-1 through T-4, mentioned in the report of Special Agent Henry E. King at Atlanta, Georgia, dated June 6, 1958, captioned as above, have furnished reliable information in the past.

This memorandum is loaned to you by the FBI, and neither it nor its contents are to be distributed outside the agency to which loaned.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE ATLANTA	OFFICE OF ORIGIN ATLANTA	DATE 6/6/53	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 5/14, 15, 16, 19, 23, 26, 29;
TITLE OF CASE CHRISTIAN ANTI-JEWISH PARTY		REPORT MADE BY HENRY E. KING	TYPED BY MEL
		CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - X	

SYNOPSIS:

J. B. STONER continues to maintain P.O. Box 48, Atlanta, Ga., but investigation indicates STONER no longer residing in Atlanta. Informant advises J. B. STONER, and ROBERT and RICHARD BOWLING only known members of captioned organization, but no indication meetings being held by organization, and although BOWLING boys still reside in Atlanta, exact whereabouts unknown. Investigation to date negative as to Atlanta residence of BOWLING boys.

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APPROVED <i>[Signature]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW	
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DETAILS: AT ATLANTA, GEORGIA

PARTY ACTIVITY AND MEMBERSHIP

Confidential Informant Atlanta T-1 advised on May 14, 1958, that Post Office Box 48, Atlanta, continues in the name of J. B. STONER. T-1 stated he understands that J. B. STONER no longer resides in Atlanta, but comes to Atlanta from time to time to pick up his mail. T-1 further stated he understands that STONER in addition to receiving his personal mail in this box receives mail in the name of the Christian Anti-Jewish Party.

Confidential Informant Atlanta T-2 advised on June 2, 1958, that he is personally acquainted with ROBERT and RICHARD BOWLING, and knows of J. B. STONER. T-2 said these men were at one time active in the Christian Anti-Jewish Party, but that he does not know their present whereabouts, and nothing has come to his attention within the past year, which would indicate activity on the part of captioned organization.

Confidential Informant Atlanta T-3 advised on June 2, 1958, that J. B. STONER, and ROBERT and RICHARD BOWLING were formerly connected with the Christian Anti-Jewish Party, but nothing has come to his attention for more than a year concerning activity of this organization, or the men mentioned above.

Confidential Informant T-4 advised that he is not personally acquainted with J. B. STONER, or ROBERT and RICHARD BOWLING, but he knows several of their acquaintances, and they have told him that J. B. STONER spends most of his time in Florida, but does visit Atlanta from time to time. T-4 advised that these acquaintances claim they do not know J. B. STONER's residence address, and they will not reveal the residence of ROBERT and RICHARD BOWLING although they claimed these men continue to reside in Atlanta. T-4 added that based on information gained from these acquaintances, he feels that J. B. STONER and ROBERT and RICHARD BOWLING constitute the active membership

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of the Christian Anti-Jewish Party although he has been unable to date to learn just what activity, if any, is taking place. T-4 is of the opinion that no meetings are being held by the Christian Anti-Jewish Party. T-4 commented that J. B. STONER, and ROBERT and RICHARD BOWLING are well known to leaders of similar type organizations, and, although they seem very anxious to obtain the cooperation of STONER and the BOWLING boys, he does not believe STONER or the BOWLING boys have as yet affiliated with any other group.

Captain JAMES L. MOSLEY, Atlanta Police Department, Atlanta, advised on May 26 and June 2, 1953, that he is acquainted with J. B. STONER and the BOWLING boys, but he has no information as to their whereabouts, nor has anything come to his attention which would indicate activity on the part of the Christian Anti-Jewish Party for a year or more.

A. C. MILLER, 207 - 100 Hunter Street Building, Office of Attorney JAMES R. VENABLE, advised on May 16, 1953, that J. B. STONER maintained space in their office for a short time about three years ago. Mr. MILLER stated that STONER reportedly went to the State of Florida, and he has heard nothing from him for at least two years.

WALTER HIGHTOWER, Peachtree Gardens Apartments, Atlanta, advised on May 19, 1953, that ROBERT and RICHARD BOWLING moved from this project about one year ago. Mr. HIGHTOWER stated that while he was not personally acquainted with the BOWLING boys, he did recall that upon preparing the apartment for another tenant, he found considerable anti-Jewish literature, and books, which apparently the BOWLINGS had left in the apartment. Mr. HIGHTOWER said he destroyed this material. He added he has not heard from the BOWLINGS since that time, nor does he have any idea as to their present whereabouts.

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AT RT. 4, ST. ELMO, TENNESSEE
(Located in Georgia)

Mrs. BEBE CHITKO, Route 4, St. Elmo, Tennessee, sister of J. B. STONER, advised on May 16, 1958, that she has not seen her brother, J. B. STONER, since prior to Christmas 1957. She added that Post Office Box 48, Atlanta, is the only address known to her for STONER. Mrs. CHITKO commented that she does not associate with or correspond with her brother inasmuch as their views and opinions on certain matters are not in agreement.

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, JACKSONVILLE (105-64)

RE: BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH
CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON
JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL (NEGRO)
BOTH JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA
APRIL 28, 1958
INFORMATION CONCERNING
(INTERNAL SECURITY)

Detective Sergeant JAMES CREWS (NA), Jacksonville Police Department, advised today that arrangements were made for Detective R. J. STRICKLAND, on leave from the Tallahassee Police Department, who is conducting investigations for the Florida Legislative Investigating Committee, to meet with Detective JOE LINDSEY, of the Birmingham Police Department, in Atlanta on Tuesday, 6/3/58, for the purpose of comparing fingerprints of J. B. STONER with the latent prints developed in the Birmingham bombing. CREWS stated that STRICKLAND claimed to have copies of STONER's fingerprints.

CREWS stated he talked with Detective LINDSEY in Birmingham by phone today and learned that LINDSEY did meet there with STRICKLAND and with POOLE, of the Georgia Bureau of Identification. LINDSEY claimed that STRICKLAND did not have copies of the fingerprints of STONER but that POOLE located these prints and that they compared them with the latents developed in the bombing and felt that there were a number of similarities although they could not make identification. STRICKLAND indicated to LINDSEY that he would forward the STONER prints to the Bureau for comparison.

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there. STRICKLAND and POOLE did not make available to LINDSEY copies of STONER's fingerprints and LINDSEY actually does not know whether these prints were forwarded to the Bureau. Detective CREWS stated since STRICKLAND is not presently active with a law enforcement agency, he does not personally feel that results of the comparison of STONER's prints with the latents should be made available to STRICKLAND; however, he was very desirous of being advised of the results of such comparison by the Bureau in the event STRICKLAND did forward to the Bureau STONER's prints for that examination.

CREWS stated that when Detective STRICKLAND first communicated with Assistant Chief BRANCH of the Jacksonville Police Department, he advised BRANCH that he possessed copies of STONER's fingerprints and requested that copies of the latents developed at Birmingham be forwarded to him by BRANCH. BRANCH requested copies of STONER's prints from STRICKLAND; however, STRICKLAND has never complied with this request and Detective CREWS is dissatisfied with the cooperation shown by STRICKLAND.

Information concerning STRICKLAND and his activities insofar as the Florida Legislative Investigating Committee is concerned has previously been furnished to the Bureau. Much information furnished by him to Bureau Agents in Tallahassee has not been reliable.

Accordingly, the Bureau is requested to furnish to the Jacksonville Police Department, through the Jacksonville Office, and to the Birmingham Police Department, through the Birmingham Office, results of the comparison of the prints of STONER with the latents developed in the event STONER's prints have been forwarded to the Bureau.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC-S ATLANTA AND BIRMINGHAM

FROM SAC, JACKSONVILLE 1 P

RACON, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH CENTER
SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL PAREN NEGRO END PAREN
APRIL TWENTYEIGHT, FIFTYEIGHT. RE BIRMINGHAM TEL MAY THIRTEEN LAST.
INFORMANTS, JACKSONVILLE, FLA. HAVE NO INFORMATION INDICATING
STONER PRESENTLY IN JACKSONVILLE. ATLANTA REQUESTED TO IMMEDIATELY
ADVISE DESCRIPTION STONER-S CAR AND LICENSE PLATES IF KNOWN.
CONTACT WITH LOCAL OFFICIALS TODAY INDICATE NO NEW SIGNIFICANT
DEVELOPMENTS.

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AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-135-63)
FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (62-1915)

RACON, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.
BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH
CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES
WELDON JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL (NEGRO)
4/28/58.
INFORMATION CONCERNING (IS)

Remyairtel, 5/29/58.

Detective TOM H. COOK, Birmingham, Ala., PD, advised 6/2/58 that there are no new developments in instant matter as far as he knows. He stated his department is awaiting the results of an FBI check concerning comparison of J. B. STONER'S fingerprints with the latents found in connection with the attempted bombing of Beth El Temple, Birmingham, 4/28/58.

COOK said that he and his partner, Detective JOE LINDSEY, saw J. B. STONER near Dublin, Ga., recently. He said he helped surveil STONER, but, of course, did not talk to him. COOK said that FBI Agents are surveilling STONER and that his department would appreciate being advised of any pertinent information. He stated he would inform this office of anything important coming to his attention in this matter.

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- 1 - Jacksonville (105-64) (Info.) - AM
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SAC, ATLANTA (100-4976)

5/31/58

SA WILLIAM W. PRICE, JR.

JESSE BENJAMIN STONER,
INFO CONCERNING

At 11:40 AM 5/31/58 a person giving the name of J. B. STONER, Dublin, Georgia, telephonically contacted the Atlanta Office and complained that the FBI had been following him around for the past several days in four automobiles and that for the past several years the FBI has been harrassing him. He said this harrassment consisted of the FBI contacting his neighbors concerning him and "following him around." STONER said the following automobiles have been following him for the last several days and that he is sure they are FBI cars:

LICENSE #'S:

- 1-49738, 1958 Chevrolet.
- 2-11589, 1957 Ford.
- 2-11591, 1956 Ford.
- 2-15037, 1958 Ford.

STONER stated he had contacted the Georgia Motor Vehicle Bureau and had been informed the License #'s above are public numbers. He said he had determined the number of cars belonging to the GBI and that the above cars could not possibly be State cars and that he, therefore, was certain that they are FBI automobiles.

STONER informed that it is his intention to report this matter to his congressman and that he intends to verify the fact that the above listed automobiles belong to the FBI and that thereafter he will enter suit against the FBI Agents for harrassing him.

No information whatsoever was furnished to STONER to indicate a possible surveillance of him.

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Pursuant to instructions from the SAC, SAC CHARLES BROWN of the Savannah Office was telephonically contacted for the purpose of alerting him to discontinue surveillance of subject and also to advise him the Atlanta Office would report the above matters to the Bureau.

SAC BROWN ^{informed} confirmed that on the night of 5/30/58 STONER contacted the Savannah Office and made practically the same complaint as that set out above. MR. BROWN stated the surveillance was discontinued on the afternoon of 5/30/58 due to the peculiar actions of subject. Mr. BROWN informed he was furnishing all the facts of the complaint made by STONER to the Bureau via teletype.

In view of the fact that SAC BROWN advised he was reporting the above matter to the Bureau, no further action was taken by the Atlanta Office.

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AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO : Director, FBI (100-135-63)
FROM: SAC, Birmingham (62-1915)
RE : RACON, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.
BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH
CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON
JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL (NEGRO)
4-28-58.
INFO CONCERNING (13)

Re myairtel 5-28-58.

Captain GEORGE PATTIE, Chief of Detectives, BH PD, advised SA CHARLES B. STANBERRY on 5-29-58, that BH Detective JOE LINDSEY and Det. TOM COOK are continuing their investigation re J. B. STONER in and around Dublin, Ga. PATTIE stated Commissioner EUGENE CONNOR, BH PD, is attempting to secure fingerprints of STONER in order that they may be compared with latent fingerprints from the attempted bombing of the Temple Beth-El in Birmingham.

While talking to Capt. PATTIE, he received a long-distance call from Detective TOM H. COOK, who stated that he had secured fingerprints of J. B. STONER, but PATTIE did not indicate the source. PATTIE said COOK told him the FBI had J. B. STONER under surveillance in Georgia. PATTIE said he does not know how long Detectives LINDSEY and COOK will be in Georgia on their current assignment, but expects that they will return to Birmingham, possibly over the week end.

PATTIE said there are no other new developments in this matter insofar as he knows.

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AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO : Director, FBI (100-135-63)
FROM: SAC, Birmingham (62-1915)
RE : RACON, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.,
BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH
CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON
JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL (NEGRO) 4-28-58
INFO CONCERNING (IS)

Re BH airtel to Bureau 5-27-58.

Detective VERNON T. HART, BH PD, advised SA ROY M. OSBORN on 5-28-58 that Detective T. S. BEAUDROT of the JK PD and Deputy Sheriff MARVIN HAYES of the Duval County Sheriff's Office, left Birmingham this date with two Birmingham detectives, JOE LINDSEY and TOM COOK, en route to Dublin, Ga. HART said he assumed the detectives would go by Dublin to do some checking on J. B. STONER. HART said there were no other developments in the case as of this date.

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AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO : Director, FBI (100-135-63)
FROM: SAC, Birmingham (62-1915)
RE : BACON, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.
BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH
CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES
WELDON HIGH SCHOOL (NEGRO)
4-28-58.
INFO CONCERNING (IS)

Re BH airtel to Bureau 5-26-58 and JK teletype
to Bureau 5-26-58.

Commissioner EUGENE "BULL" CONNOR, BH PD, advised
SA ROY H. OSBORN on 5-27-58 that his informant paid a surprise
visit to BH on 5-26-58 and informant stated J. B. STONER had
been to his home on Sunday afternoon and Sunday night and that
he spent approximately three hours with STONER. Mr. CONNOR
stated his informant was very vague about the conversation
he allegedly had with STONER, adding informant stated STONER
advised he could get two men down from Chattanooga to blow
up a "Negro house for \$5,000.00" and Mr. CONNOR stated he
asked the informant what good that would do in helping solve
the bombings at Jacksonville, Fla., and the attempted bombing
at Birmingham. He also stated informant advised STONER had
requested him to get a license plate and Mr. CONNOR was of
the opinion that this did not seem logical. According to
informant, STONER left his residence enroute for South Georgia
and Jacksonville.

Mr. CONNOR stated they planned a conference with
officers from JK on 5-28-58, and stated these men would
probably go back by Dublin, Ga. enroute back to Jacksonville
and do some checking on STONER, and that one of his men from

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Birmingham might accompany the two officers from Jacksonville.

Detective JOE LINDSEY of the BH PD advised this date that Deputy Sheriff HARVIN HAYES of the Duval County Sheriff's Office, and Detective Sergeant T. S. BEAUDROT of the JK PD arrived in Birmingham around 2:00 p.m. on this date for conference concerning the bombings.

No request received for Bureau assistance in coverage of any leads.

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AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO : Director, FBI (100-135-63)
FROM: SAC, Birmingham (62-1915)
RE : RACON, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.
BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH
CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES
WELDON JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL (NEGRO)
4-28-58.
INFO CONCERNING (IS)

Rebutel to BH and JK 5-28-58.

Commissioner EUGENE "BULL" CONNOR, BH PD, advised this date that they have not yet received the itinerary of J. B. STONER from the State Farm Mutual Insurance Company, which he stated he was getting through the JK PD. He stated, however, he understood from talking with the JK PD that they had determined J. B. STONER allegedly was in Vidalia, Ga. on 4-25-58; Milledgeville, Ga., 4-26-58; Dublin, Ga. on 4-27-58; Swainsboro, Ga. on 4-28-58, and Milledgeville, Ga. again on 4-30-58. CONNOR said they have not yet received the names of places where STONER allegedly stayed in these towns or the names of the people he allegedly contacted.

Commissioner CONNOR further advised they had learned that J. B. STONER had been placed on probation with State Farm Mutual Insurance Company in Jacksonville in 5-58 because of his lax work and since they have been unable to locate fingerprints of J. B. STONER, they are contemplating having the JK PD arrest STONER when the company calls him in so that his prints can be obtained. No specific requests for investigation were received from Commissioner CONNOR.

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Detective JOE LINDSEY, BH PD, stated today that in reference to recent request made by Detective GEORGE L. PATTIE as to the shipment of dynamite similar to the dynamite which was found at the Temple Beth-El in Birmingham, that he has already checked this matter with W. V. COLLINS of the Atlas Powder Company, Hamilton National Bank Building, Knoxville, Tenn., and they have determined that none of this type dynamite had been shipped to the State of Alabama, and they have received names of other shipments to Georgia, but appeared prior to this date. In view of this info, no leads are being set out for the Baltimore Office to determine the shipment of the Atlas Giant 66 Gelatin Dynamite that was found at the Temple Beth-El in BH.

The Bureau will be advised if any specific requests are received from CONNOR relative to the checking of STONER's itinerary at the time of the bombings in BH and JK during the period 4/27-28/58.

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TO: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (62-1915)

FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI

SUBJECT: RACON, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.,
BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH
CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON
JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL (NEGRO) 4-28-58.

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Check of Bureau fingerprint files under class-
ification 9- Aa for a fingerprint record on JESSE BEN-
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JAMIN STONER or J. B. SIMPSON negative.

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A I R T E L

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM : SAC, JACKSONVILLE (105-64)
SUBJECT: RACON, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA,
BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH
CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES
WELDON HIGH SCHOOL (NEGRO),
4/28/58

Re Jacksonville tel 5/20/58, and Atlanta tel
of same date, copy of which furnished to
Jacksonville

Contact with the Sheriff's Office, Jacksonville,
Fla., as well as the Jacksonville Police Dept., indi-
cates no new developments to date.

Investigation by the Sheriff's Office reflects
that J. B. STONER is employed by the State Farm
Mutual Insurance Co. at Dublin, Ga., as an adjuster,
and STONER resides at 1519 Rice Avenue there. Con-
tact by Sheriff's Office with Jacksonville Office of
State Farm Mutual indicates that STONER has traveled
extensively during past few months, allegedly on com-
pany business. The office of State Farm Insurance
Co. in Dublin is small, there being only one salesman
and one adjuster, plus a secretary. The secretary
is Mrs. HABEL LOUIS THOMPSON, a white female, who
was allegedly born in Hamburg, N.Y., and has for-
merly been in the Coast Guard. Her husband is
RALPH (PH) N. THOMPSON, who operates a service
station in Dublin. The THOMPSONs allegedly live
at Rt. 5, Box 195, Dublin. Savannah check indices
and furnish any information available concerning
the THOMPSONs.

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The Jacksonville Sheriff's Office specifically requested that the above name address and present whereabouts of STONER not be disseminated.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC-S BIRMINGHAM, SAVANNAH AND ATLANTA
FROM SAC, JACKSONVILLE 2 P

BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON
JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL PAREN NEGRO END PAREN JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA,
APRIL TWENTY EIGHT FIFTYEIGHT. INFORMATION CONCERNING PAREN INTERNAL
SECURITY END PAREN. RE BIRMINGHAM TEL MAY TWENTY THREE LAST.

LIAISON WITH LOCAL AUTHORITIES REFLECTS DEPUTY SHERIFF MARVIN HAYES
PAREN NA END PAREN, DUVAL COUNTY SHERIFF-S OFFICE AND DETECTIVE SGT.
T. S. BEAUDROT, JACKSONVILLE PD PROCEEDING FROM JACKSONVILLE, FLA. TO
BIRMINGHAM MAY TWENTYSEVEN NEXT WHERE THEY HAVE APPOINTMENT TO CONFER
WITH COMMISSIONER CONNOR ON WED. NEXT. FOR INFO BUREAU AND
INTERESTED OFFICES ONLY JACKSONVILLE PD IN TOUCH WITH CONNOR TODAY
AND CONNOR CONVINCED STONER RESPONSIBLE FOR BOMBING. ONE PURPOSE
OF TRIP HAS BEEN INDICATED TO BE TO DETERMINE WHAT ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION AND EVIDENCE, IF ANY, MIGHT BE AVAILABLE IN BIRMINGHAM
ON WHICH TO BASE POSSIBLE ARREST AND PROSECUTION OF STONER. RECORDS
STATE FARM MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY, JACKSONVILLE, AS CHECKED BY
JACKSONVILLE PD INDICATE NO OFFICIAL BUSINESS TRANSACTED BY STONER
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WEEK END APRIL TWENTYSIX AND TWENTYSEVEN, HOWEVER, MILEAGE REPORT
TURNED IN INDICATING STONER TRAVELED ONE HUNDRED FIFTYTHREE MILES
APRIL TWENTYSEVEN FIFTYEIGHT. TWO INVESTIGATING OFFICERS LISTED
ABOVE ALSO CONTEMPLATE TRAVEL FROM BIRMINGHAM TO DUBLIN, GA. IN
ATTEMPT TO DEVELOP FURTHER INFORMATION CONCERNING STONER-S
ACTIVITIES ON WEEKEND IN QUESTION, IF THIS AGREEABLE TO CONNOR.
BUREAU WILL BE KEPT CURRENTLY ADVISED.

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AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-135-63)
FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (62-1915)

RACON, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.
BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH
CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES
WELDON JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL - NEGRO
4/28/58
INFORMATION CONCERNING (IS)

Captain GEORGE L. PATTIE, Birmingham, Ala. PD, advised SA ROY H. OSBORN, 5/22/58, that Commissioner of Public Safety, Birmingham, EUGENE CONNOR plans to have his informant recontact J. B. STONER within approximately one week or ten days. PATTIE stated they had received additional information concerning STONER which reflected that he was a candidate for Congress in 1944 or 1945 and that he ran on a ticket which was backed by the Christian Anti-Jewish Party of Chattanooga, Tenn.

Captain PATTIE was of the opinion that STONER presently owns a house in Decatur, Ga., and stated they have no additional evidence or information as to STONER'S activities at this time.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC JACKSONVILLE

FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (62-1915)

RACON, JACKSONVILLE, FLA., BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH
CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL /NEGRO/
APRIL TWENTYEIGHT, FIFTYEIGHT. INFO CONCERNING /IS/.

COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC SAFETY EUGENE CONNOR, BH, ADVISED SA
ROY M. OSBORN THIS DATE THAT THEY WERE TRYING TO ATTEMPT TO
DETERMINE THE VERACITY OF HIS INFORMANT, ADDING THAT HIS

INFORMANT HAD ALLEGEDLY MET J.B. STONER AT THE HOME OF E. O.
MORRIS JUST OUTSIDE OF ATLANTA ON THE PAST WEEK END. HE

STATED THAT THE INFORMANT HAD GIVEN HIM SPECIFIC DIRECTIONS

HOW HE WENT TO MORRIS' HOME. MR. CONNOR STATED STONER'S

RESIDENCE WAS IN DUBLIN, GA., AND THAT THEY HAD CONTACTED THE

CHIEF OF DETECTIVES AT THE JACKSONVILLE PD THIS DATE TO

DETERMINE FROM THE RECORDS OF THE INSURANCE COMPANY WHERE STONER

IS EMPLOYED AS TO STONER'S ALLEGED WHEREABOUTS ON THE PAST

WEEK END AND THAT HE HAD BEEN INFORMED STONER WAS REPORTEDLY

IN FITZGERALD, GA., ON FRIDAY, MAY SIXTEENTH, AND THAT HE WAS

IN DUBLIN, GA., ON MAY SEVENTEEN AND EIGHTEEN LAST. COMMISSIONER

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CONNOR STATED THEY WERE ALSO GOING TO DETERMINE FROM THE RECORDS OF THE COMPANY WHERE STONER WAS EMPLOYED ON APRIL TWENTYSEVEN AND TWENTYEIGHT LAST AT THE TIME OF THE BOMBING IN JK AND THE ATTEMPTED BOMBING IN BH. CONNOR WAS OF THE OPINION THAT STONER HAS BEEN SUBMITTING FALSE DAILY REPORTS TO THE COMPANY BY WHICH HE IS EMPLOYED AND CONNOR STATED HE WAS CONTEMPLATING ASKING THE FBI TO ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE IF STONER WAS ACTUALLY AT THE PLACES WHERE HE REPORTEDLY TOLD HIS COMPANY HE WOULD BE, BUT STATED HE WOULD THINK THIS MATTER OVER AND MAKE THIS REQUEST ON MONDAY, MAY TWENTYSIX, FIFTYEIGHT. THE BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO ADVISE IF BUREAU PERMISSION IS GIVEN TO HAVE VARIOUS OFFICES MAKE APPROPRIATE CHECKS WHERE STONER WAS SUPPOSED TO HAVE BEEN DURING THE TIME OF THE BOMBING AT JK AND ATTEMPTED BOMBING AT BH. DETECTIVE GEORGE L. PATTIE, BH PD, DESIRED THAT THE EXPLOSIVE MANUFACTURING DIVISION OF THE ATLAS POWDER COMPANY, WILMINGTON, DEL., BE CONTACTED TO DETERMINE WHERE THEIR RECORDS WOULD SHOW THAT SIXTY PER CENT GIANT GELATIN ATLAS DYNAMITE WAS SENT IN THE SOUTHEASTERN AREA FOR APPROXIMATELY SIXTY DAYS PRIOR TO THE ATTEMPTED BOMBING.

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TO : Director, FBI
ATTENTION: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

FROM: SAC, Birmingham (62-1915)

RE : RACON, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.,
BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH
CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON
JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL (NEGRO) 4-28-58.

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Detective TOM COOK, Birmingham PD, advised 5-21-58, they had received a report from the Latent Fingerprint Section dated 5-19-58 which reflected that a check of the name indices does not reveal fingerprints for JESSE BENJAMIN STONER. Det. COOK wondered if the Identification Division of the Bureau had a check under the fingerprint classification of 9 Aa which was reportedly sent to

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the Identification Division by the Fulton County, Ga. Bureau of Identification under their number 285803 at the time STONER applied for the Georgia State Bar Association. Mr. COOK further stated STONER has used the alias of J. B. SIMPSON in the past and that it might be logical to have the Ident Division check this name in their name indices.

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Mr. COOK further advised he had telephonically contacted Lt. H. A. POOL of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation at Atlanta on this date to have Lt. POOL check the records of the Atlanta PD to determine if prints of STONER had been returned from that department, as outlined in letter from Bureau. COOK stated he was under the impression that the Fulton County Bureau of Identification had been consolidated with that of the Atlanta PD. COOK further stated Mr. POOL had indicated if they were unsuccessful in locating fingerprints of STONER that it was possible they might have STONER picked up and fingerprinted by some department under a pretext.

Detective COOK and Captain GEORGE L. PATTIE both advised they are at a loss as to present plans as to investigation in this matter, stating that STONER had told informant he could not come to Birmingham until after the first of June and also indicated to the informant that he was afraid to come to Birmingham, stating, "They are trying to make it a hanging offense in Alabama" and also, STONER indicated to the informant he might possibly have another job to do toward the end of the month. Detective COOK stated he had received information through Lt. H. A. POOL that STONER's mail possessed literature entitled "Common Sense" and they understood this publication was issued by the Christian Party in possibly Union City, New Jersey and stated STONER also had mail from Englewood, Calif.

Det. COOK stated they had received information that Mr. CARL LYONS, Atmore, Ala., had possibly been in touch with headquarters of JOHN CROMMELIN, who was one of the 14 candidates for Governor in the recent Democratic primary in Alabama, at Wetumpka, Alabama. Previous information received from the Birmingham PD reflected that Mr. EUGENE CONNOR's (Commissioner of Public Safety, BH) informant had met J. B. STONER at CROMMELIN's headquarters about a week prior to election day and it was also noted that EMORY BURKE, former head of "The Columbians," Atlanta, Ga., had been to this same headquarters.

Capt. GEORGE PATTIE stated that a Mr. ENNIS PLAN, whom he considers an explosives expert, stating he has been employed by various explosives companies for approximately 30 years, had advised him that he had examined the dynamite found in Birmingham in connection with the attempted bombing of the Temple Beth-El and PLAN stated in his estimation this dynamite was not over 30 days

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old in that this dynamite was made approximately 30 days prior to April 28th when the attempted bombing took place.

Capt. PATTIE further advised that the mail cover which his department has placed through the postal authorities, Atlanta, Georgia, on P. O. Box 48, which is issued to J. B. STONER, has apparently run out and he stated that they had secured the results of this mail cover through Lt. H. A. POOL of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, Atlanta, Georgia. Capt. PATTIE stated he had no objections to the Bureau knowing the results of this mail cover and the Bureau could feel free to contact Lt. POOL in this respect and Capt. PATTIE further advised he felt that the Bureau might possibly want to continue this mail cover to determine the identity of the correspondents of J. B. STONER. The Bureau is requested to advise the Atlanta Office if this permission is granted.

Capt. PATTIE stated that insofar as he knows, no further plans are being made to have the informant of Commissioner EUGENE CONNOR contact STONER since STONER has advised the informant he cannot come to Birmingham until after 6-1-58.

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TO DIRECTOR AND SACS BIRMINGHAM, JACKSONVILLE
FROM SAC ATLANTA 2P

BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND
JAMES WELDON JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL, JACKSONVILLE, FLA. APRIL
TWENTY EIGHT, FIFTYEIGHT, INFO CONCERNING IS. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED TODAY HE VISITED [REDACTED] MENTIONED
MYAIRTEL MARCH THIRTYFIRST LAST, UNITED WHITE PARTY, IS-X,
LAST NIGHT. [REDACTED] TOLD INFORMANT HE HEARD FBI WAS LOOKING
FOR J. B. STONER, SAID STONER SPENDING MOST OF HIS TIME IN
FLORIDA WORKING FOR QUOTE WHITE RACE UNQUOTE. SAID STONER
WORKING IN QUOTE NATIONAL ANTI JEWISH LEAGUE UNQUOTE. SAID
STONER WORKED ALONE AND WAS QUOTE TIGHT LIPPED UNQUOTE.
INFORMANT ASKED [REDACTED] SPECIFICALLY WHAT STONER WAS DOING
FOR WHITE RACE AND HE REPLIED QUOTE BLOWING UP SYNAGOGUES,
WHAT DO YOU THINK UNQUOTE. INFORMANT COMMENTED THAT AS AN
ATTORNEY STONER PROBABLY HAS LITTLE KNOWLEDGE OF EXPLOSIVES
AND [REDACTED] REPLIED QUOTE OH YES HE DOES, HE HAS A GOOD
WORKING KNOWLEDGE OF A LOT OF THINGS UNQUOTE. [REDACTED] TOLD
INFORMANT STONER WAS TOO SMART TO GET CAUGHT. INFORMANT DOES

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TO : SAC, JACKSONVILLE (105-64)

DATE: 5/19/58

FROM : SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-444)

SUBJECT: RACON, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA,
BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH
CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES
WELDON HIGH SCHOOL (NEGRO) 4/28/58

Pursuant to Miami teletype to Charlotte and Jacksonville of 4/30/58 entitled "BOMBING OF SYNAGOGUE, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, 4/28/58, CIVIL RIGHTS," FRANK TERRANCE KELLY, AKA Francis Kelley, USMC 1586578, and who is stationed Camp Lejeune, N. C., was interviewed and signed statement obtained.

Set forth hereinafter is the text of his signed statement. Pertinent portions of his signed statement have been incorporated into a letterhead memorandum and appropriately disseminated.

"I was born at Cincinnati, Ohio, on May 16, 1939. My home address is 1280 Adams Ave., Clearwater, Fla. I am presently in the U. S. Marine Corps and am assigned to G Company, 2d Battalion, 6th Marine Regiment, 2d Marine Division, Camp Lejeune, N. C.

"In January, 1955 I was contacted by mail by Wm. J. Griffin, West Hanna Ave., Tampa, Fla., former Grand Dragon of the Knights of the Klu Klux Klan, Invisible Empire, Inc., which organization was officially inactive at that time. Leroy White, Oldsmar, Fla., formerly Recording Secretary

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of the above mentioned organization while it was active, had told Griffin that I was interested possibly in the activities and purposes of the KKK. I had helped White on bee farm.

"In January or early February, 1955 I went to see Griffin at his office in the Stovall Professional Bldg, 305 Morgan St, Tampa, Fla. At that time he explained to me that the Klan was not active in Florida at that time. He wrote L. B. Holland, associated with Cherokee Lines, Inc., 203 W. First St., Chattanooga, Tenn. then Grand Dragon of the Realm of Tennessee of the Knights of the Klu Klux Klan, Invisible Empire, Inc. He suggested I also write Holland. In early February, 1955, I wrote Holland and told him I was interested in his organization.

"Holland wrote me that he was glad I was interested in his organization. He sent my letter to Griffin and Griffin showed it to me. He wrote Griffin that Griffin should bring the matter before the Imperial Wizzard when a new one was appointed. He recommended accepting me as a member.

"In March, 1955, Griffin called White and told White to see him when next in Tampa. White then told me I could come to the first meeting of the above-mentioned organization after a period of inactivity.

"I went to this meeting, which was held in a building around the corner from the Hotel Floridan. I talked with an individual who said he was the Kligrapp of the organization, in the outer lobby or hall. Griffin then had me fill out a membership form and I was then voted in as a member. Later I was admitted to the hall. I was then sworn in as a member by E. L. Edwards, Atlanta, Ga., Imperial Wizzard.

"There were between 100 or 150 men and several women in the hall. When they removed their hoods

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I recognized Griffin and White. I was introduced to Edwards. I also met Bill Hendrix, Oldsmar, Fla. (now of Dunedin, Fla.) and Rev. Allen Calnder Schuler, 825 Oak St., Jacksonville, Fla. I also met a Mr. Boggess of St. Petersburg, Fla. A petition to the Governor to keep segregation in the schools was originated. Nothing else of importance was discussed in my presence. Hendrix tried to add an amendment to the petition, calling for abolishment of the public schools, but this was voted down by a great majority. A meeting at the same place was called for the following Saturday.

"Griffin then told me I could go with him to an organizational meeting the following week at Mt. Dora. I went with Griffin and his wife and his eldest son, Lonnie Griffin in Griffin's car to the meeting which was held 4 miles South of Mt. Dora in the country, off of a Hwy. from 301 to Mt. Dora. When we arrived late, there were a large number of county, local and state law enforcement officers there. I saw Leroy White, Bill Hendrix, Rev. Schuler and a constable from the 1st District, Pinellas County, Clearwater, Fla. there. Malvin Johnson, former policeman, Clearwater, was there.

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I met Bud Hulett, [redacted] at that meeting. He was elected as chairman (Exalted Cyclops) of the Mt. Dora Klavern at that meeting. He was an employee of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad. Schuler spoke on the press and magazines. A preacher from Southern Georgia also spoke on local problems. Hendrix also spoke and proposed that a group be formed to get from jail the editor from Alabama who was interfering in the Ruby McCollum case (Swanee County, Fla.) and to 'take care of him' by whipping him. Schuler also spoke in favor of this. There was quite a bit of argument about this and the Mt. Dora officers and the highway patrol officers left.

"Griffin finally declared the meeting adjourned. Hendrix said that he was going to a different meeting place and asked anyone who wanted action rather

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than talk to go with him. He and about 25 or 30 others left. I was told later that they met outside of Tavares, Fla. on that same date.

"I went to the Tampa meeting of the Klan on the following Saturday. The only ones there were myself, Griffin, Lonnie Griffin, Leroy White, E. L. Edwards and another person whom I don't know. At that meeting Griffin, Edwards and the unknown man discussed Hendrix and his actions. Edwards told Griffin that Hendrix was beginning to reform his Southern Knights of the KKK. We made arrangements to send out cards about the next meeting to promote greater attendance. I was given a list and contacted a printer, but I returned the list to Griffin. There were 650 names, approximately, on the list.

"Griffin called a press conference of the Tampa Tribune and the St. Petersburg Independent. At this conference he denounced Hendrix as a fraud and a fake. He stated that the Southern Knights of the KKK was merely a group to further Hendrix's own ambitions. I was present at this meeting. To the best of my knowledge Griffin and I were the only known members present.

"Ralph Summner, Tampa Tribune, Clearwater, Fla. Office, interviewed Hendrix and Hendrix ordered him from his house. Summner wrote several stories about Hendrix's connections with a petition to maintain segregation and Hendrix was angry with Summner. Hendrix told me to tell Summner that other reporters had been found in the river, face down in the Swannee River. I told Summner this and shortly after this the Chief of Police, Bill McClamma, Clearwater, called me down and told me an attempted assault had been made in the back yard of Summner on Summner. Hendrix later indicated to me that he had struck at Summner and that the next time he would shoot at him. Willie Hendrix, Largo, Fla., later told me that Hendrix had borrowed his rifle. When Willie tried to get the rifle back Hendrix indicated that he was going to get a reporter with the rifle.

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"In about December, 1955, there was a meeting outside of Mt. Dora and there were 250 to 350 there. Schuler, Hendrix, Hulett, Griffin and I were there. E. R. Ensley, Cocoa, Fla., and his brother, George F. Ensley, 445 Southwest 6th St. Miami, Fla., were there to integrate a small state's rights group in Southern Florida with the KKK. Mrs. Jesse Jenkins, Columbus, Ga., was at the meeting also.

"At this meeting they made up a declaration against the Southern Knights of the KKK - declaring they were not a part of that organization. Hendrix then announced the reorganization of the Confederate Army and presented a letter from Gov. Herman Talmadge of Georgia, endorsing the aims of that organization. It was to be a commando type of organization with violence advocated. He and Schuler announced that the purposes of this group was the same as the Columbians of Columbus, Ga., which was then inactive. Talmadge later retracted this indorsement.

"A split developed at this meeting. White, Griffin and all but about 50 people left. I remained at the meeting and Hendrix gave a more detailed outline of the Confederate Army. Hendrix and Schuler were both officers and co-founders of this organization. At this time Hendrix brought out a plan for action in Dade and Duval Counties. He proposed that the only way to rid the state of labor unions was through violence and intimidation. He planned to send members to the Miami meeting concerning the proposed merger of the A.F. of L. and C.I.O. in about January, 1956. They planned to cause disruptions at the meeting. Schuler, Hendrix and Malvin Johnson were working on a plan to bomb the home the mayor of Miami, Abe Arnonovitz, where George Meany was to stay. This bombing never came off.

"I attended a meeting called by Griffin in Tampa, Fla. at that same meeting hall about February, 1956. It was called because of a strike of citrus workers in Pasco Co. and the surrounding area. Hendrix proposed the use of violence in the matter

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at the meeting. It broke the meeting up when he did this. Griffin, Lonnie Griffin, Leroy White, the constable from Clearwater, Malvin Johnson and I were at this meeting. There were about 75 or more at this meeting.

"Hendrix then went to Lake Co. in an effort to do something about the strike. While he was there a shooting occurred. Someone went by the house of a minor union official and emptied a shotgun in the house. Several union men were beaten up about that time.

"White told me about a meeting at Hendrix' house in Oldsmar, Fla., where they discussed means of getting rid of the Platt family which lived at Mt. Dora, Fla. This family was allegedly Indian and had moved from near Monroe in North or South Carolina. The children had been removed from a white school at Mt. Dora, Fla. by the sheriff since it was alleged they had some Negro blood in them. I don't know who else attended this meeting.

"Griffin called another meeting in Tampa in latter March or early April, 1956 in the same meeting hall there. About 20 people attended this meeting. Griffin, Lonnie Griffin, White, Hendrix, Schuler, the Clearwater constable, Hulett and I attended this meeting. Only routine matters were discussed.

"I left with Hendrix and went to Hulett's home at Mt. Dora and stayed there all night. Hendrix and I drove around a while. We drove by the Platt home slowly several times. He mentioned something about having to get those people out of Florida somehow. We both then went to bed at Hulett's at about 2 AM. About 6 AM we drove to Tampa and I then went on to Clearwater. The next morning I read in the paper that someone had thrown a homemade 'Molotov Cocktail' at the Platt house but that it didn't explode.

"Near Leesburg, Fla., a church group and a PTA (county groups) opposed General Lowry's campaign for

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governor of Florida and Hendrix didn't like this. About May 1, 1956 I went with Hendrix to Mt. Dora and then to Leesburg. We drove by the house of the leader of the church and PTA groups opposing Lowry who was for segregation. We then went to Mt. Dora and Hendrix went and picked up some sticks of dynamite - which I never saw. He left me at the hotel while he went for the dynamite. Hendrix never said he was going to dynamite the house of the PTA leader but he had said that he would 'take care' of him.

"About an hour and a half later I was told that Hendrix was in jail at Leesburg because he had been stopped and they had found dynamite in his car. He was alone at the time. I was later told that the sheriff ordered Hendrix out of the county. I don't know what action was taken on his possession of dynamite.

"I met Hendrix at the Hotel Rollins, Jacksonville, Fla. about May 10 or 12, 1956. At that time he told me that Carl's Motel and Cabins had a Negro orchestra which was mingling with the white customers. He said he had been working on the situation. He asked me if I wanted to go to Yulee, Fla., to pick up some 'hot stuff', which I figured was dynamite. He left for a while and then returned four hours later. He had one package which he said contained two ounces of nitro-glycerine. He said he got some dynamite, too.

"We then drove out almost to Carl's place and looked it over. He said they had sent a note to Carl's but it didn't do any good. He insinuated that he was going to take care of the situation at Carl's. He took me back to the airport near town. I left him there because he was almost drunk.

"I later heard that he drove by the club a number of times and the Sheriff's Office stopped him. They found some dynamite in a shack about 200 or 300 yards north of Carl's. They were never able to prove Hendrix owned the dynamite.

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"I later was told by White that Hendrix had said it was his dynamite they found near Carl's.

"I joined the U.S. Marine Corps on May 16, 1956 and have not associated with any of these Klansmen since that time.

"I have never approved of Hendrix' use of violence. When they started to organize the Association of Citizen's Councils in Florida I wrote Mr. Robert Patterson, Greenwood, Miss., Executive Secretary of the Association of Citizen's Councils of Mississippi and told him that Hendrix was active in the KKK and that he had continually swerved away from the conservative element and that he was active in anti-Jewish activities. I told Patterson Hendrix was trying to get in on the Citizen's Councils movement for his own personal gain.

"As a result of this letter Hendrix was kicked out of the Citizen's Councils movement. He heard about the part I had played in this and he said to several people that he had taken care of bigger people than me and that it wouldn't be hard to take care of me.

"I notified Bill J. Driver, Assistant City Attorney, Clearwater, Fla_ about Hendrix' threat.

"I never actually helped organize the Confederate Army and never joined that organization.

"I was an honorary member of the National Association for the Advancement of White People in 1956 and part of 1955.

"I joined the Association of Florida Ku Klux Klan at Tampa, Florida in about March, 1955. I resigned from this organization in about May 25, 1955. However, I attended meetings after that date.

"When I heard about the bombing at Jacksonville of a Synagogue several days ago, I recalled that

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Hendrix had said once at Schuler's home in Jacksonville, Fla. that all Jews should be confined to the Dade County area.

"I also recalled that Hendrix and his friends had made the statement that he could secure dynamite from a lumberman, whose name I don't know, in Alabama.

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"Because of their activities in the KKK and their anti-Semitic and anti-negro activities and beliefs I believe that Hendrix, Schuler [redacted] and also Asa Carter, Chairman of the North Alabama Citizens' Councils might be involved in the bombing in Jacksonville of a Jewish Synagogue.

"I have no definite information regarding this bombing."

During the course of interview with KELLY, the following physical description and background information were obtained through observation and interview:

Name:	FRANK TERRANCE KELLY, Aka Francis Kelley
Sex:	Male
Race:	White
Age:	18
Born:	[redacted]
Height:	6' 1"
Weight:	170 lbs.
Build:	Medium
Hair:	Brown
Eyes:	Brown
Complexion:	Fair
Scars and marks:	Burn scar right leg, ankle to 4" below knee (skin graft)
Civilian occupation:	Student
Military occupation:	Clerk
Military service:	USMC, 5/16/56, USMC 1586578 (enlistment up in May, 1960)
Social Security No.:	[redacted]
Home address:	1280 Adams Ave., Clearwater, Fla.

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Mother:	SYLVIA KELLY ROUSSEAU, same address
Father:	FRANK T. KELLY, Security Department of Cincinnati Milling and Machine Co., Cincinnati, Ohio
Sister:	ROSEMARY KELLY, 13, Cincinnati, Ohio
Half sister:	SHIRLEY JEAN ROUSSEAU, 8, with mother
Half brother:	BILLY ROUSSEAU, 5, with mother

Copies of this are furnished Miami, Knoxville, Atlanta, New Orleans, Mobile, and Birmingham inasmuch as it contains information regarding activities within these Divisions. Copies are being furnished Memphis and Savannah in view of these offices' interest in KKK and Citizens Council type organizations.

The Special Agents who took the signed statement from KELLY are SAs JOHN C. QUIRIN and PATRICK A. PHILBIN.

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AIR MAIL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (62-1915)
RE : RACON, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.;
BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH CENTER
SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON HIGH
SCHOOL (NEGERO), 4-28-58.

Re BE teletype to Bureau 5-19-58.

Chief of Police JANIE MOORE, NA, BE PD, advised SA ROY M. OSBORN this date that he knew of no new developments in the case and stated he had discussed the case this a.m. with Det. THOMAS COOK and advised that even though they know the present whereabouts of J. B. STONER, through the informant, that they are no further along in the solving of the case and have no new evidence.

Chief MOORE stated confidentially they were working under extreme difficulties in that the informant is being handled by Commissioner of Public Safety EUGENE "BULL" CONNOR, who is a controversial figure, and that they are sometimes at a loss as to what CONNOR might actually desire, and that he, CONNOR, has expressed reluctance to furnish information to other departments and has made rash statements about the lack of cooperation, and that he, CONNOR, had made one statement, "Damn the Atlanta Police Department!" Chief MOORE stated at present he did not know if Mr. CONNOR plans to have his informant make further contact with STONER.

Captain GEORGE L. PATTIE, BE PD, advised this date, that according to CONNOR's informant, he had been to STONER's

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house; that STONER had refused to come to the door at first and would not come to the door until he recognized the informant's voice and made the remark, "I thought you might be the cops from either Birmingham or Jacksonville." Captain PATTIE stated STONER denied to the informant that he was connected with either the attempted bombing of the Temple Beth-El at Birmingham, or the bombings at Jacksonville, and the informant had told STONER they might be able to get up a deal in the Birmingham area and STONER, according to informant, replied that he might have business elsewhere as there were two other trouble spots. Captain PATTIE stated as far as he knows, at the present time no plans are being made to have the informant recontact STONER and stated actually they have nothing to talk to him about.

Captain PATTIE stated his department still has not received a reply from the FBI Ident Division concerning the fingerprints of STONER as compared with those found on the cardboard at the Temple Beth-El.

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TO DIRECTOR AND SACS, ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, SAVANNAH
FROM SAC, JACKSONVILLE 1 P

BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON
JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL, JACKSONVILLE, FLA., APR. TWENTY EIGHT, FIFTY
EIGHT, INFO CONCERNING -IS-. JACKSONVILLE PD ADVISES J. B. STONER
PRESENTLY RESIDING DUBLIN, GEORGIA, AND IS ADJUSTER FOR STATE FARM
MUTUAL INSURANCE CO. THERE. HE IS DRIVING CO. OWNED FIFTY SEVEN
CHEVROLET, IVORY TOP, YELLOW BODY, FIFTY EIGHT GA. LIC. ONE NINE DASH
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BOMBING OF JEWISH CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL, BOTH JACKSONVILLE, FLA. APRIL TWO EIGHT, LAST, INFORMATION CONCERNING PAREN IS END PAREN. RE JACKSONVILLE, BIRMINGHAM, AND BUTEL, MAY NINETEEN, LAST. IN VIEW OF LATER DEVELOPMENTS AS SET OUT IN BIRMINGHAM AND JACKSONVILLE TELS, BUREAU WILL ADVISE IF EFFORT SHOULD CONTINUE TO LOCATE J. B. STONER IN CONNECTION WITH INVESTIGATION OF CHRISTIAN ANTI-JEWISH PARTY. IF SO, IT WOULD SEEM LOGICAL FOR BIRMINGHAM TO CONTACT BIRMINGHAM PD FOR STONER'S PRESENT WHEREABOUTS AND ADVISE ATLANTA.

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5/17/58

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TO : Director, FBI
FROM : SAC, Mobile (105-360)
RE : RACON, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, BOMBING OF
JACKSONVILLE JEWISH CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND
JAMES WELDON HIGH SCHOOL (NEGRO), 4/28/58

FOIA(b)(7) - (D)

Re Birmingham teletype, etal, 5/13/58.

Pertaining to meeting of various persons at head-
quarters JOHN CROMMELIN, Wetumpka, Ala., week before bombings,
advised 4/22/58 that

also
advised several months ago that Alabama Circuit Solicitor GLENN
CURLEE, of Wetumpka, Ala., known to be admirer of and associate
of CROMMELIN and FREDERICK JOHN KASPER, conducted investigation
of [] on basis that he had heard [] was a communist. He
questioned [] about [] informant telling CURLEE that []
was definitely not a communist, and on contrary, was strong
anti-communist. Same informant has advised that CHARLES BODIFORD
suffered severe financial troubles as result of arrest on Mont-
gomery bombings, to extent of losing his job and being forced
to mortgage his home to pay attorney's fee. Above submitted for
info.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC-S ATLANTA AND JACKSONVILLE
FROM SAC, BIRMINGHAM 2P

RACON, JACKSONVILLE, FLA., BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH
CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL -NEGRO-
APRIL TWENTYEIGHT, FIFTYEIGHT. RE JK TELETYPE TO BUREAU,
BH AND AT, MAY NINETEEN INSTANT. DETECTIVE TOM COOK, BH PD,
ADVISED THIS DATE THAT COMMISSIONER CONNOR-S INFORMANT LOCATED
J. B. STONER OVER THE WEEK END. COOK SAID BH PD NOW KNOWS
STONER-S RESIDENCE AND THEY INTEND TO LET HIM QUOTE SET UNQUOTE
FOR AWHILE. DET. JOE LINDSEY STATED INFORMANT TALKED WITH
STONER AND THAT STONER IS RESIDING NEAR ATLANTA, GA., AND
STONER WAS VERY MUCH CONCERNED, ACCORDING TO INFORMANT, AND
HAD BEEN EXPECTING OFFICERS TO CONTACT HIM EVER SINCE THE
JACKSONVILLE BOMBING. LINDSEY STATED ~~THE BH PD DESIRES NO~~
~~FURTHER INVESTIGATION BY THE BUREAU AT THIS TIME IN ATTEMPT TO~~
~~KEEP UP WITH STONER-S WHEREABOUTS AS HE FEELS THAT THEY CAN~~
~~DO THIS THROUGH INFORMANT UNLESS FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS ARISE.~~

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DETECTIVE LINDSEY STATED WITNESS TO BOMBING AT JACKSONVILLE
HAS NOT STUCK TO ORIGINAL STORY AND JACKSONVILLE PD IS
ATTEMPTING TO CLARIFY THE WITNESS- VERSION OF THE BOMBING
AND ALSO THE POSSIBILITY THAT THIS WITNESS MIGHT HAVE BEEN
INTIMIDATED OR THREATENED. DETECTIVES LINDSEY AND COOK
STATED NO RESULTS RECEIVED FROM FBI IDENT DIVISION AS TO
COMPARISON OF STONER-S PRINTS WITH PRINTS FOUND ON CARDBOARD
AT TEMPLE BETH-EL, BIRMINGHAM.

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URGENT 5-19-58 5-29 PM SRF

TO DIRECTOR AND SACS BIRMINGHAM AND ATLANTA
FROM SAC JACKSONVILLE

BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON
JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL, BOTH JACKSONVILLE, FLA. APRIL TWENTYEIGHT LAST,
INFO CONCERNING PAREN IS END PAREN. REBUTEL TODAY AND JK TELS
MAY SIXTEEN LAST. CONTACT WITH BOTH LT. JAMES CREWS, NA, AND
ASSISTANT CHIEF H. V. BRANCH, JACKSONVILLE PD, INDICATES THAT JAX
PD HAS BEEN ADVISED BY DET. JOE LINDSEY, BIRMINGHAM PD TODAY THAT
WHEREABOUTS OF J. B. STONER IS PRESENTLY KNOWN. HE IS SUPPOSEDLY
DRIVING FIFTYSEVEN CHEV WITH WHITE TOP, YELLOW BODY, BEARING FIFTY
EIGHT GEORGIA LIC. ONE NINE DASH TWO SEVEN NINE SEVEN. PLATES
ARE ALLEGEDLY ISSUED TO STATE FARM MUTUAL INSURANCE CO. DUBLIN, GA.
PD, JAX, HAS CONTACTED GEORGIA BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION AS TO WHETHER
OR NOT INSTANT PLATES HAVE BEEN TRANSFERRED OR WHETHER STONER
EMPLOYED BY THIS COMPANY. BIRMINGHAM PD ADVISED THAT STONER HAD
ALLEGEDLY MADE STATEMENT THAT HE HAD TO STAY LOW AT LEAST UNTIL
JUNE ONE SINCE POLICE MIGHT PICK HIM UP FOR JK JOB, AND HE HAS

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ANOTHER JOB DUE SOON. BIRMINGHAM PD DID NOT ELABORATE CONCERNING LATTER STATEMENT AND APPARENTLY HAS NO ADDITIONAL INFO AS TO WHERE SUCH A JOB MIGHT BE DONE. BIRMINGHAM PD ALSO ADVISED JAX PD THAT STONER WAS IN A HOTEL IN BIRMINGHAM LAST WEDNESDAY AND THAT HE IS NOW IN GEORGIA AND THAT THEY QUOTE CAN PUT THEIR FINGER ON THE HOUSE IN WHICH HE IS LYING LOW END QUOTE. SUGGEST BIRMINGHAM CONTACT PD TO VERIFY AND ESTABLISH EXACT WHEREABOUTS OF STONER AND ADVISE BUREAU AND INTERESTED OFFICES. IN VIEW OF DEVELOPMENTS, UACB, ELEVEN AM, EST, MAY TWENTY NEXT, JACKSONVILLE WILL CONTACT ASST. CHIEF H. V. BRANCH AND ADVISE HIM BIRMINGHAM POLICE HAVE REQUESTED NO FURTHER EFFORTS BE MADE BY THIS BUREAU TO LOCATE J. B. STONER.

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URGENT 5-19-58 4-32 PM JFS

TO SACS, JACKSONVILLE AND ATLANTA

FROM DIRECTOR 2.P

BOMBING OF JEWISH CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL, BOTH JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, APRIL TWO EIGHT INSTANT, INFORMATION CONCERNING PAREN IS END PAREN. RE BH AND JK TELS MAY ONE SIX INSTANT. JACKSONVILLE IS INSTRUCTED TO ADVISE

JACKSONVILLE POLICE THAT BIRMINGHAM POLICE REQUESTED NO FURTHER

EFFORTS BE MADE BY THIS BUREAU TO LOCATE J. B. STONER. ATLANTA

IS INSTRUCTED TO REOPEN INVESTIGATION OF CHRISTIAN ANTI DASH

JEWISH PARTY IN CONNECTION WITH PROVISIONS OF EXECUTIVE ORDER

ONE ZERO FOUR FIVE ZERO TO DETERMINE IF IT HAS APPROVED OR

ADOPTED THE COMMISSION OF ACTS OF FORCE OR VIOLENCE TO DENY

OTHERS THEIR RIGHTS UNDER THE CONSTITUTION. IN EVENT THIS

ORGANIZATION IS DEFUNCT OR INACTIVE DETERMINE IF STONER

IS ACTIVE IN OTHER SIMILAR ORGANIZATIONS. DUE TO STONER DASH S

BACKGROUND AS A NOTORIOUS ANTI DASH SEMITE IT IS IMPERATIVE

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HE BE LOCATED IN CONNECTION WITH THIS INVESTIGATION. SET OUT
LEADS TO APPROPRIATE OFFICES PARTICULARLY SAVANNAH AND MIAMI
WHERE STONER MAY BE RESIDING AND LOUISVILLE WHERE EDWARD FIELDS
RESIDES TO DETERMINE IF CHRISTIAN ANTI DASH JEWISH PARTY OR
SIMILAR GROUP ACTIVE IN THOSE AREAS. KEEP FIRMLY IN MIND THE
BUREAU IS NOT INVESTIGATING BOMBINGS. SUBMIT REPORT TO REACH
BUREAU BY JUNE TWO INSTANT WITHOUT FAIL. ADVISE OTHER OFFICES OF
BUDED. BIRMINGHAM BEING ADVISED BY AIR MAIL.

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URGENT 5-16-58 1-15

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC-S ATLANTA, JACKSONVILLE, KNOXVILLE
AND SAVANNAH

FROM SAC, BIRMINGHAM 2P

RACON, JACKSONVILLE, FLA., BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH
CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL -NEGRO-
APRIL TWENTYEIGHT, FIFTYEIGHT. RE ATLANTA TEL TO BUREAU
MAY FIFTEEN LAST AND BUREAU TEL TO ATLANTA, JACKSONVILLE, BH
KNOXVILLE AND SAVANNAH, MAY FIFTEEN LAST. CAPTAIN GEORGE
PATTIE, CHIEF OF DETECTIVES, BH PD, AFTER CONFERENCE WITH
COMMISSIONER EUGENE CONNOR, STATED THAT HIS OFFICE NOT
READY TO INTERVIEW J. B. STONER, EVEN IF LOCATED, AND JACKSONVILLE,
FLA. PD HAS NOT COOPERATED WITH BH PD IN KEEPING HIM
ADVISED AS TO WHAT, IF ANYTHING, THEY ARE DOING IN THE JACKSON-
VILLE JEWISH SYNAGOGUE BOMBING. PATTIE STATED CONNOR-S
INFORMANT WILL BE SENT TO ATLANTA THIS WEEK END IN AN ATTEMPT
TO LOCATE J. B. STONER AND HE DOES NOT FEEL THAT ANY FURTHER
INQUIRIES BY THE BUREAU ARE NECESSARY AT THIS TIME AS TO
STONER-S WHEREABOUTS. COMMISSIONER CONNOR UNAVAILABLE FOR COMMENT
AT THIS TIME. THE JK OFFICE SHOULD CONTACT JACKSONVILLE PD
AND ADVISE THEM OF THE REQUEST MADE BY BIRMINGHAM PD TO
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INDICATE DESIRE TO HAVE BUREAU CONTINUE EFFORTS TO LOCATE
STONER THAT THEY DISCUSS THIS WITH BIRMINGHAM PD, OTHERWISE
POSSIBILITY EXISTS TWO DEPARTMENTS WOULD BE WORKING AT CROSS
PURPOSES. UACB, PENDING JK DETERMINATION OF ATTITUDE OF
JACKSONVILLE PD, ALL OFFICES SHOULD IMMEDIATELY CEASE
INVESTIGATION IN THIS MATTER TO LOCATE J. B. STONER.
CAPTAIN PATTIE REQUESTS BUREAU EXPEDITE COMPARISON OF
J. B. STONER-S FINGERPRINTS, IDENTIFICATION BUREAU OF
FULTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, NUMBER TWO EIGHT FIVE EIGHT ZERO THREE,
AGAINST THE LATENT FINGERPRINTS OBTAINED ON PIECE OF CARDBOARD
IN CONNECTION WITH ATTEMPTED BETH-EL TEMPLE BOMBING IN
BIRMINGHAM.

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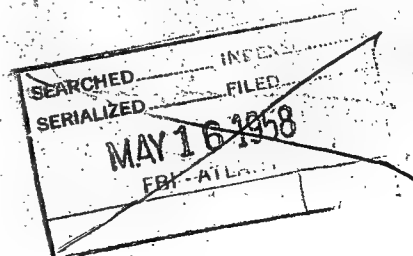
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URGENT 5-16-58 10-55QAM ESC
TO DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM SAC, ATLANTA 1P

BOMBING OF JEWISH CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON
HIGH SCHOOL, BOTH JACKSONVILLE, FLA., APRIL TWO EIGHT,
ONE NINE FIVE EIGHT, INFORMATION CONCERNING PAREN IS END
PAREN. ALL LOGICAL LEADS AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION TO
LOCATE J. B. STONER WILL CONTINUE TO BE SENT BY TELETYPE.
END ACK

11-55 AM OK FBI WA DM
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5-15-58

AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, Birmingham (62-1915)
RE : RACON, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.,
BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH CENTER SYNAGOGUE
AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL (NEGRO)
APRIL 28, 1958.

Detective TOM COOK, Birmingham Police Department, states today no important developments. Detectives COOK and LINDSEY went to Montgomery, Ala. 5-14-58. Ascertained that a J. B. SIMPSON stayed at Whitley Hotel in November 1957. COOK believes SIMPSON may be identical with J. B. STONER.

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URGENT 5-15-58 10-35 AM EST ESC

TO DIRECTOR, FBI, SACS JACKSONVILLE, BIRMINGHAM, KNOXVILLE AND
SAVANNAH

FROM SAC, ATLANTA 2P

RACON, JACKSONVILLE, FLA., BOMBING

OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON
HIGH SCHOOL, APRIL TWENTYEIGHT, FIFTYEIGHT. INFO CONCERNING

PAREN IS END PAREN. RE JACKSONVILLE TELETYPE MAY TWELVE, LAST,
AND BIRMINGHAM TELS MAY TWELVE AND THIRTEEN, LAST. BASED ON INFO

DEVELOPED BIRMINGHAM, JESSE B. STONER, JR., USUALLY KNOWN AS
J. B. STONER, IS CONSIDERED SUSPECT CAPTIONED CASE. BUREAU HAS
REQUESTED J. B. STONER-S PRESENT WHEREABOUTS BE DETERMINED.

JACKSONVILLE HAS REQUESTED DESCRIPTION OF STONER-S AUTOMOBILE,

BELIEVED TO BE A CHEVROLET. PERSONS CONTACTED ATLANTA ADVISE

STONER VISITS ATLANTA APPROXIMATELY WEEKLY TO OBTAIN MAIL BUT

BELIEVED TO BE IN FLORIDA, ADDRESS UNKNOWN. NO INFO RE AUTO

OBTAINED TO DATE. GA. DRIVERS LICENSE ISSUED TO STONER APRIL

THIRTY, FIFTYSIX, REFLECTING ADDRESS TWELVE TWENTYFOUR E. HENRY,

SAVANNAH, GA. STONER DESCRIBED WHITE MALE, BORN APRIL THIRTEEN,

TWENTYFOUR, PLACE NOT SHOWN, BLUE EYES, BROWN HAIR,

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ONE HUNDRED FORTYFIVE LBS., FIVE FT. SIX IN. TALL, SLIGHT LIMP, CAUSED BY POLIO IN NINETEEN TWENTYSIX. FILE INDICATED COMPLETELY CURED. SAVANNAH DETERMINE IF STONER PRESENTLY IN THAT CITY. FILE REVIEW INDICATES STONER IN PAST HAS RESIDED VICINITY CHATTANOOGA, TENN. KNOXVILLE AT CHATTANOOGA WILL ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE WHEREABOUTS OF STONER. BUREAU REQUESTS ALL LEADS BE SET OUT BY TELETYPE AND RECEIVING OFFICES TO HANDLE EXPEDITIOUSLY. MATTER WILL BE GIVEN CONTINUOUS AND PREFERRED ATTENTION. STONER NOT TO BE INTERVIEWED, BUT WHEN LOCATED BUREAU, ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, AND JACKSONVILLE SHOULD BE ADVISED, BACKGROUND AIRTEL BEING PREPARED. BUREAU ADVISE INTERESTED OFFICES IF DISCREET INVESTIGATION SHOULD BE CONDUCTED TO LOCATE STONER OR IF OPEN ACTIVE INVESTIGATION BE CONDUCTED INCLUDING INTERVIEW WITH RELATIVES.

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URGENT 5-15-58 6-54 PM JG

TO - SACS, ATLANTA, JACKSONVILLE, BIRMINGHAM, KNOXVILLE AND SAVANNAH
FROM - DIRECTOR 1P

BOMBING OF JEWISH CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON
HIGH SCHOOL, BOTH JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, APRIL TWO EIGHT,
ONE NINE FIVE EIGHT, INFORMATION CONCERNING PARENTHESIS IS
END PARENTHESIS. RE ATLANTA TEL MAY ONE FIVE, LAST. ALL
OFFICES SHOULD CONDUCT OPEN ACTIVE INVESTIGATION INCLUDING
INTERVIEWS WITH RELATIVES TO LOCATE STONER. INDIVIDUALS
CONTACTED IN INVESTIGATION SHOULD NOT BE ADVISED STONER BEING
SOUGHT AS SUSPECT IN THIS MATTER. IMPERATIVE THIS MATTER
RECEIVE CONTINUOUS AND PREFERRED ATTENTION. BIRMINGHAM KEEP
BUREAU ADVISED PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS AND FOLLOW CLOSELY.
RETEL REFLECTS ATLANTA PREPARING BACKGROUND AIRTEL RE STONER.
ATLANTA SHOULD SET OUT BACKGROUND DATA AND LOGICAL LEADS BY
TELETYPE.

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Date: May 15, 1958

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Via AIRTEL - AIR MAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-135-63)

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-5755)

SUBJECT: RACON, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.
BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE
JEWISH CENTER SYNAGOGUE
AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON
HIGH SCHOOL - NEGRO
4/28/58
INFORMATION CONCERNING (IS)

Re Jacksonville teletype 5/12/58, and Birmingham teletypes
5/12 and 13/58.

For the information of offices not receiving copies of
referenced teletypes, these teletypes set forth numerous
names of persons, particularly the name of J. B. STONER,
who possibly might be connected with or know something
concerning the bombings in Jacksonville, Fla., on 4/28/58.
It will be noted further that these names were furnished
primarily by an informant of the Birmingham Office. These
persons have been connected with "right wing" organizations.
This airtel is prepared in an effort to clarify the position
of each person in the various organizations.

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THE COLUMBIAN PARTY;
THE COLUMBIANS, INC., AKA.
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This organization was designated by the Attorney as coming under Executive Order 10450. However, the organization has been completely out of existence since about 1951, at which time various officials were prosecuted.

EMORY BURKE was president of this organization and E. O. MORRIS and IRA C. JETT were members. MORRIS was connected with the Atlanta Journal, and JETT was a plumber by trade. As far as is known, there has been no revival of activity on the part of captioned organization.

CHRISTIAN ANTI-JEWISH PARTY, Aka.,
NATIONAL ANTI-JEWISH PARTY
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Bufile (65-15743)
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JESSE BENJAMIN STONER, usually known as J. B. STONER, was the "arch leader" of the Christian Anti-Jewish Party. This group organized subsequent to the closing of The Columbians in Atlanta, Ga. STONER reportedly was a member of one of the old Klan groups prior to his organization of the Christian Anti-Jewish Party. EDWARD REID FIELDS at one time was connected with this group, but he presently resides at Louisville, Kentucky, and is a Chiropractor. Dr. FIELDS studied his profession in Des Moines, Iowa.

ROBERT AYERS BOWLING and RICHARD BOWLING, brothers, of Atlanta, Georgia, were active in the Christian Anti-Jewish Party and picketed the White House in Washington, D. C., in August 1954. Several members of this organization, including the Bowlings, picketed the Chattanooga News - Free Press in Chattanooga, Tenn., on July 30 and 31, 1954.

Enclosed for the Jacksonville Office is enlarged photograph of ROBERT and RICHARD BOWLING taken at Chattanooga, Tenn., on the above date. Also enclosed for Birmingham is a large photograph taken of six persons who picketed the White House in August 1954, three of whom are identified by numbers as follows:

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AT (100-5755)

Number 4 - JESSE B. STONER
Number 5 - ROBERT (BOBBY) BOWLING
Number 6 - RICHARD BOWLING

The Christian Anti-Jewish Party file in the Atlanta Office has been closed due to inactivity.

There follows descriptions of RICHARD BOWLING and ROBERT AYERS BOWLING:

Name	RICHARD (NMI) BOWLING
Born	September 22, 1932 Atlanta, Georgia
Height	5'7"
Weight	116 lbs.
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Brown
Complexion	Light
Marital Status	Single
Scars and marks	None
Parents	MARK BOWLING and Mrs. KATHERINE BOWLING
Residence	4570 Jet Road, N. W., Atlanta, Georgia
Previous address	4775 Durden Drive Apt. 5 Chamblee, Ga.
Occupation	House-to-house salesman, gardener and tree surgeon
Social Security No.	257-46-3827

Name	ROBERT AYERS BOWLING
Born	December 17, 1933, Atlanta, Georgia
Height	5'9"
Weight	125 lbs.
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Brown
Complexion	Olive
Occupation	Student, Chamblee High School, Chamblee, Georgia
Scars and Marks	None

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AT (100-5755)

Mother	Mrs. KATHERINE BOWLING
Residence	4570 Jet Road, N. W. Atlanta, Georgia
Previous address	4775 Durden Drive Chamblee, Georgia
Employment	Claimed to have been employed by C. S. HEATH, Atlanta, in gardening and landscaping work.

UNITED WHITE PARTY
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It will be noted that on Page 6 and 7 there are several names including EMORY BURKE, Attorney J. B. STONER, and EMMIT MORRIS.

JESSE B. STONER

Present Whereabouts:

EMORY BURKE, 145 Candler Drive, Decatur, Georgia, former President of the Columbians, has been interviewed from time to time by SA HENRY E. KING, JR., regarding former members of the Columbians. BURKE, while not too cooperative, has been cordial and usually will state whether or not a person was a member of the Columbians and whether he was active in the organization.

While being interviewed on another matter on 5/14/58, EMORY BURKE stated that J. B. STONER is no longer practicing law in Atlanta, and as far as he knows, resides somewhere in the State of Florida. Mr. BURKE is of the opinion that STONER is not practicing law in Florida, adding as far as he knows he has not been admitted to the Florida Bar. BURKE stated that STONER visits Atlanta from time to time, but that he does not know his present address.

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AIR MAIL

AT (100-5755)

On May 14, 1958, Miss ANN HEMPHILL, Georgia License Tag Bureau, State Capitol, Atlanta, Ga., made a name check of 1958 license applications with negative results as to STONER. It will be noted, however, that only a comparative few 1958 applications have been filed to date.

Mr. LEE, Information Department, U. S. Post Office, Old Post Office Building, confidentially advised on 5/14/58, that P. O. Box 48, continues in the name of J. B. STONER. Mr. LEE voluntarily commented that mail is received for J. B. STONER, JESSE B. STONER, JR., and the Christian Party in this box. He commented that there are five pieces of mail in the box at this time in the above names.

He added he does not know whether mail in other names are also delivered to this box. Mr. LEE commented that the Post Office Department requested a check on this box a short time ago and that he noted that Mr. STONER picked up his mail about once a week, which indicated to him STONER was out of town.

Miss MARY ANN FREEMAN, Credit Bureau of Atlanta, reviewed her records on 5/14/58 with negative results as to STONER.

JEFF DAVIES, Georgia Driver's License Bureau, Confederate Avenue, Atlanta, Ga., produced License #1490462 on 5/14/58, which reflected that it was issued on July 23, 1952, to JESSE B. STONER, 125 Currier Street, N. E., Atlanta, Ga. A 5-year license was renewed on April 30, 1956, by JESSE B. STONER, 1224 E. Henry, Savannah, Georgia.

The file describes STONER as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Born	4/13/24, place not shown
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Brown
Weight	145 lbs.
Height	5'6"
Deformities	Slight limp, caused by polio in 1926. File indicated completely cured.

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[redacted] advised [redacted] that BILLY BRANHAM of the United White Party stated [redacted] that J. B. STONER was in Florida most of the time, usually returning to Atlanta about once per week. BRANHAM said that STONER received his mail through P. O. Box 48, Atlanta, Ga. According to informant, BRANHAM commented that he imagined STONER would be questioned concerning the bombings of the Synagogue in Jacksonville, Fla., as STONER was "radical" and the "Hitler-type" concerning Jews.

Investigation continuing Atlanta.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, JACKSONVILLE (105-64)
RE: RACON, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA,
BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH
CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON
JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL (NEGRO), 4/28/58

ReJkairtel 5/5/58.

There follows a resume of developments in this matter since reairtel as obtained from liaison with the Jacksonville Police Department and Sheriff's Office:

Deputy Sheriff MARVIN HAYS advised on 5/12/58 that LANDA ROMAINE LOWMAN, a suspect from Baltimore, Md., was located by the Miami PD and interrogated, as well as being interviewed on the lie detector machine. As a result of his responses, Deputy HAYS said he was eliminated as a suspect and was released by the Miami PD.

HAYS also advised that he and Officer JOHN GREENE, Jacksonville PD, reinterviewed R. C. BRITT, Jr., on 5/1/58. BRITT exhibited hotel registration receipt of the Whitley Hotel, Montgomery, Ala., indicating he stopped overnight at that hotel on 4/26/58. He claimed that he left Montgomery at approximately 9:30 PM, Sunday night, 4/27/58, accompanied by G. E. ANDREWS and CLARENCE HAYNOR, employees in his business establishment in Jacksonville. BRITT claimed he

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arrived in Jacksonville about 6:45 AM, 4/28/58, via automobile. According to HAYS, this would appear to eliminate BRITT personally as being responsible for instant bombings.

It is pointed out that CLARENCE HAYNES recently submitted application for membership in Stonevall Jackson Unit 1, U. S. Klans.

HAYS also advised that he located an additional witness, a Negro male, FRANK CHATHON, 1448 West First Street, Jacksonville, who was driving north on the morning of 4/28/58, at 12:30 AM, on Fairfax Street next to the Johnson High School. As he was approaching the school, he observed a 1954 Belair Chevrolet, cream color with narrow green trim on the back rear fenders, occupied by two white males, drive along the street behind this colored school in an easterly direction. As he approached the school, this car, with its lights out, crossed the intersection in front of him. To make certain that the car saw him, he turned his bright lights on and observed what he has described. As he approached them, they appeared to speed up slightly, driving to the east. Approximately an hour later, at about 1:30 AM, he drove back past the school, where he observed a number of police cars parked in the area. Since he had not heard the explosion, having driven some considerable distance, he paid no attention to the cars and proceeded to his residence. The following day he read the account in the newspaper, after which he telephoned the colored police precinct and reported the incident.

Deputy HAYS also advised that on Friday, 5/9/58, he made a check with negative results of the local hotels and motels in order to locate a registration for one J. B. STONER, of Atlanta, Ga. According to HAYS, the Birmingham Police furnished info that date that an unidentified individual claiming the rewards reported that he was aware of the identity of the person responsible for the bombings and that this person was J. B. STONER of Atlanta. According to HAYS, the Birmingham Police were checking the informant's story further.

Deputy HAYS also stated that during the week of 5/5/58, Mayor BURNS of Jacksonville received an anonymous telephone call, apparently from Fernandina Beach, Fla. The

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calling party, who was very nervous and whose wife apparently insisted that he call, made the statement that [redacted] of Fernandina Beach "rode shotgun for the guy who did the bombing."

HAYS and Detective T. B. BEAUBERT interviewed [redacted] who resides at [redacted] and is employed by the [redacted]. This individual denied participating in the bombings or knowing anything about them although he was considerably nervous about the interview. He finally admitted having been a member of the Ku Klux Klan at Fernandina Beach for approximately one year, after which he quit because he did not like the way certain men were running the klavern. In this regard he mentioned to the police officers that one of the Klan officials was sent to attend some function in Jacksonville, and that he, [redacted] was assigned to watch the activities of that Klan official. [redacted] believed that this Klan official attended an NAACP meeting in Jacksonville, for which reason GEORGE no longer cared to keep his Klan membership. [redacted] also mentioned the names of two or three other Klan officials from Fernandina Beach, whose names are known to the Jacksonville Office as members of the Nassau County Unit 10 Klavern of the U. S. Klans. [redacted] believed that some of the members of that klavern could engage in acts of violence but had no reason to believe they had in this particular case.

Detective JAMES G. CREWS advised that on 5/12/58 a telephone call was received by the North Shore Grammar School, which was reported by the teacher as sounding like the voice of a child, and that other calls later were received by the Andrew Jackson High School, which did not report them originally to the Police Department. Later, Mrs. SANDERS TOFIELD, wife of the Rabbi of the bombed synagogue, received a call from an unknown party who claimed that there were six dynamite sticks under the Beauclerc Country Club. Detective CREWS stated that searches of the above establishments failed to locate any dynamite.

Detective CREWS also advised that apparently the info relating to [redacted] failed to indicate that he was in any way connected with instant bombings.

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Mr. AL SCHNEIDER, in charge of public relations of the Jacksonville Community Council, advised the Jacksonville Office that he was told by Mrs. TOFIELD that she received a telephone call approximately 1:00 P.M., 5/12/58. The calling party asked, "Is this Mrs. TOFIELD?" after which he continued to say, "I want you to know you have 20 minutes to get the people out of the Beauclerc Country Club. This is the Confederate Underground. There are six sticks of dynamite planted there which we put there last night." SCHNEIDER stated that Mrs. TOFIELD attempted to ask the caller a number of questions in an effort to get him to identify himself. She stated even though she asked questions, he continued in a very steady voice to make the statement and she got the impression the statement may have been played back after being recorded.

Assistant Chief of Police H. V. BRANCH, in charge of the Detective Bureau, Jacksonville PD, advised on 5/12/58, that his department received a call from the Commissioner of Police of Birmingham relative to an informant who was seeking the rewards for identifying the persons responsible for the bombings. This person was reported by the informant to be J. D. STONER of Atlanta, and, according to Chief BRANCH, further investigation as to his implication was being conducted. Chief BRANCH also stated that Police Commissioner CONNOR was quite vociferous in supporting his own position as being a member of a white citizens council in Birmingham, which he claimed was interested in preserving segregation only by peaceful means. BRANCH said he felt certain that CONNOR was very much interested in solving instant explosions.

Chief BRANCH also stated he knew HARVEY BAKER, formerly a labor organizer in Jacksonville, who, during the last several years, has resided elsewhere in the state. BRANCH stated he received info recently that BAKER, during his organizing activities among the citrus workers in Central Florida and among the phosphate workers at the phosphate mines near Dunnellon, Florida, some months previously might have been involved in some dynamitings which occurred. Accordingly, Chief BRANCH stated that he is having the Daytona Beach PD verify BAKER's present address there and determine the type automobile which he is presently driving.

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Chief BRANCH stated that HARVEY BAKER and his wife, LOIS, some time ago owned a Chevrolet which they drove to Tallahassee, Fla., in order to attend the trial of their son who was convicted of burglary and who is presently serving a term in the State Prison at Raiford, Fla.

It is pointed out that HARVEY and LOIS BAKER are subjects of Security Index cards in the Jacksonville Office.

Close liaison will be continued with local police authorities and the Bureau kept advised of all developments.

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TO - SACS ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM AND JACKSONVILLE

FROM - DIRECTOR 1P

BOMBING OF JEWISH CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON
HIGH SCHOOL, BOTH JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, APRIL TWO EIGHT,
ONE NINE FIVE EIGHT, INFORMATION CONCERNING PARENTHESIS IS
END PARENTHESIS. RE BIRMINGHAM TELS MAY ONE TWO, AND ONE THREE,
LAST, AND BUTEL MAY ONE THREE, LAST. IN EVENT ATLANTA UNABLE
TO LOCATE STONER IN ITS TERRITORY, ATLANTA SHOULD REVIEW ITS
FILES RE STONER AND SET OUT APPROPRIATE LOGICAL LEADS TO
LOCATE HIM. LEADS TO BE SET OUT BY TELETYPE AND OFFICES
RECEIVING LEADS INSTRUCTED TO HANDLE EXPEDITIOUSLY. THIS
MATTER MUST RECEIVE CONTINUOUS AND PREFERRED ATTENTION.
BIRMINGHAM FOLLOW CLOSELY AND KEEP BUREAU ADVISED.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC-S JACKSONVILLE AND ATLANTA
FROM SAC, BIRMINGHAM 4P

RACON, JACKSONVILLE, FLA. BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH CENTER
SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL -NEGRO-, APRIL
TWENTYEIGHT, FIFTYEIGHT. REMYTEL MAY TWELVE AND BUTEL MAY
THIRTEEN LAST. EUGENE CONNOR, BIRMINGHAM POLICE COMMISSIONER,
ADVISED HE RECONTACTED HIS INFORMANT THIS DATE, THAT INFORMANT
HAS KNOWN J. B. STONER FOR TEN OR TWELVE YEARS AND HAS SEEN
HIM APPROXIMATELY TEN TIMES IN THIS PERIOD. STONER ALWAYS HAS
ANTI-JEWISH LITERATURE WITH HIM, ACCORDING TO INFORMANT. INFORMANT
SAID STONER MET HIM LAST FALL AND WANTED HIM TO GO TO NASHVILLE,
TENN. AND HELP HIM BOMB A SCHOOL THERE. INFORMANT TOLD CONNOR
THAT JOHN KASPER, SEGREGATION LEADER, WAS WITH STONER AT THAT
TIME. INFORMANT CLAIMS HE REFUSED TO GO, STATING HE WAS OUT
OF THAT QUOTE KIND OF BUSINESS UNQUOTE. INFORMANT SAID AFTER
THE BOMBING IN NASHVILLE, STONER RETURNED TO THE INFORMANT, SAID
HE NEEDED MONEY AND WANTED TO KNOW IF INFORMANT COULD GET HIM
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MONEY FOR BOMBING CHURCH OR SCHOOL. STONER SAID HE COULD GET QUOTE ANYTHING DONE UNQUOTE. INFORMANT SAID THAT DURING RECENT PRIMARY ELECTION IN ALA., STONER DROVE TO MONTGOMERY WITH EMORY BURKE FROM ATLANTA AND THEN WENT TO JOHN CROMMELIN-S HEADQUARTERS AT WETUMPKA, ALA. INFORMANT SAID BURKE WORKED FOR CROMMELIN WHO WAS RUNNING FOR GOVERNOR OF ALA. AND THAT A MEETING WAS HELD EACH MONDAY MORNING AT CROMMELIN-S HEADQUARTERS, WETUMPKA. INFORMANT SAID ABOUT ONE WEEK BEFORE BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH CENTER, STONER CALLED HIM AND WANTED HIM TO MEET HIM IN MONTGOMERY. INFORMANT COMPLIED AND TOGETHER THEY PROCEEDED TO CROMMELIN-S HEADQUARTERS. CROMMELIN HAD A MRS. CHARLES BODIFORD -PH- WORKING FOR HIM, ALSO EMORY BURKE AND FOUR OR FIVE OTHER UNIDENTIFIED PEOPLE. INFORMANT TOLD CONNOR THAT HE AND STONER WENT TO HIS AUTO AND TALKED AND THAT STONER HAD REQUESTED INFORMANT TO GET HIM LICENSE PLATES FROM EITHER A BURNED CAR, JUNK YARD OR USED CAR LOT AND INFORMANT REFUSED TO DO SO. INFORMANT SAID STONER HAD A FIFTYSEVEN, TWO DOOR LIGHT BLUE CHEVROLET WITH WHITE TOP. CONNOR SAID CHARLIE BODIFORD WAS ARRESTED IN CONNECTION WITH SOME NEGRO BOMBINGS IN MONTGOMERY SOME MONTHS AGO, BUT WAS RELEASED. DETECTIVE TOM COOK ADVISED

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HE HAD RECEIVED INFO THROUGH GEORGIA BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION THAT ROBERT AYERS AND RICHARD BOWLING ARE VERY CLOSE TO STONER AND THAT STONER AND THESE TWO MEN ALLEGEDLY PICKETED THE WHITE HOUSE IN WASHINGTON AT THE TIME OF THE KASPER TRIAL IN CLINTON, TENN. INFO ALSO RECEIVED BY THE BH PD FROM THE JACKSONVILLE PD THAT LITERATURE WAS DISTRIBUTED IN THE NEGRO SECTION OF JACKSONVILLE, FLA. ON THE NIGHT OF MAY TWELVE CAPTIONED QUOTE REGULAR BOMBING CONFEDERATE UNDERGROUND NEGROS AND JEWS OUR SPECIALTY UNQUOTE AND THESE PAMPHLETS WERE PRINTED WITH RED INK. COMMISSIONER CONNOR STATED HE IS DISPATCHING DETECTIVES TO COVER MONTGOMERY LEADS MAY FOURTEEN AND STATES HE WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH HIS INFORMANT AGAIN EITHER THURSDAY OR FRIDAY AND INFORMANT TOLD HIM HE PLANNED TO GO TO ATLANTA THIS WEEK END, PURPOSE UNKNOWN. COMMISSIONER CONNOR SPECIFICALLY ASKED THIS BUREAU TO ATTEMPT TO ASCERTAIN WHEREABOUTS OF STONER. THE ATLANTA AND JACKSONVILLE OFFICES ARE REQUESTED TO ATTEMPT TO ASCERTAIN PRESENT WHEREABOUTS OF J. B. STONER. NO ATTEMPTS SHOULD BE MADE TO ASCERTAIN STONER-S ACTIVITIES OR POSSIBLE CONNECTION WITH BOMBINGS. STONER DESCRIBED AS AGE THIRTYFIVE, HEIGHT FIVE FT SIX INCHES, WEIGHT ONE HUNDRED FIFTY LBS, BLUE

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EYES, BROWN HAIR, SLIGHT LIMP IN RIGHT LEG FROM POLIO. HE IS AN ATTORNEY. GA. BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, ATLANTA, HAS PHOTO OF STONER AND JACKSONVILLE PD ALSO HAS PHOTO.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC-S JACKSONVILLE AND ATLANTA.

FROM SAC, BIRMINGHAM 5P

RACON, JACKSONVILLE, FLA., BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH
CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL /NEGRO/
APRIL TWENTYEIGHT, FIFTYEIGHT. RE JACKSONVILLE TELETYPE TO
BUREAU THIS DATE. COMMISSIONER EUGENE QUOTE BULL UNQUOTE
CONNOR AND CHIEF OF POLICE JAMIE MOORE, BH PD, ADVISED THIS
DATE THEY ARE PRESENTLY CONDUCTING INVESTIGATION REGARDING
ONE J. B. STONER OF ATLANTA, GA. AS A SUSPECT OF THE JACKSONVILLE
FLA. BOMBING. CONNOR STATED INFORMANT CAME TO HIS OFFICE
LAST THURSDAY, MAY EIGHT, AND THAT EVEN THE OFFICERS OF HIS
OWN DEPARTMENT DO NOT KNOW THE IDENTITY OF THIS INFORMANT.
CONNOR SAID HE DID NOT IMMEDIATELY RECOGNIZE THIS INFORMANT
WHEN HE ENTERED AS HE HAD GAINED SOME WEIGHT SINCE
HE LAST SAW HIM. CONNOR SAID INFORMANT IS FROM PHENIX CITY,
ALA. AND HAS A CRIMINAL RECORDM CONNOR SAID INFORMANT INDICATED
THAT HE WANTED TO CLAIM COME OF THE REWARD FOR THE BOMBING
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OF THE JEWISH TEMPLES RECENTLY. CONNOR SAID INFORMANT WAS VERY NERVOUS, BUT WAS SOBER. ACCORDING TO CONNOR, THE INFORMANT WAS CONTACTED BY J. B. STONER AT PHENIX CITY AND THEY DROVE TOGETHER IN STONER-S CAR, A CHEVROLET, TO MONTGOMERY, ALA. INFORMANT AND STONER WENT TO A USED CAR LOT IN AN ATTEMPT TO SECURE A DIFFERENT LICENSE PLATE FOR STONER-S CAR. INFORMANT DID NOT SAY WHETHER OR NOT THEY GOT THIS PLATE. INFORMANT STATED STONER LEFT HIM IN MONTGOMERY AFTER TELLING INFORMANT THAT HE, STONER, WAS GOING TO JACKSONVILLE, FLA. AND DYNAMITE A JEWISH SYNAGOGUE THERE AND AT THE SAME TIME, A TEMPLE IN BIRMINGHAM WOULD BE DYNAMITED. INFORMANT TOLD CONNOR THAT THE NEXT DAY HE READ IN THE PAPER WHERE THE JACKSONVILLE TEMPLE HAD BEEN BOMBED AND AN ATTEMPT HAD BEEN MADE TO BOMB A BIRMINGHAM TEMPLE. STONER ALSO TOLD THE INFORMANT PRIOR TO LEAVING THAT HIS ORGANIZATION WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE BOMBINGS IN NASHVILLE, TENN., MIAMI, FLA., GASTONIA, N.C., AND ALSO AN ATTEMPT WHICH HAD BEEN MADE IN CHARLOTTE, N.C. INFORMANT FURNISHED CONNOR THE NAMES OF E. O. MORRIS CONNECTED WITH THE ATLANTA JOURNAL, WHO IS A FOLLOWER OF STONER-S, AS WELL AS IRA C. JETT, A PLUMER,

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MAPLETON, GA., AND

[REDACTED], BOTH OF WHOM ARE ASSOCIATED WITH STONER. CONNOR SENT DETECTIVE TOM COOK TO ATLANTA RECENTLY TO CHECK ON J. B. STONER. COOK FOUND STONER HAD BOX FORTYEIGHT ATLANTA, AND THAT IT WAS FULL OF MAIL. HE PLACED A TEN DAY MAIL COVER ON THIS BOX THROUGH THE COOPERATION OF LOCAL POSTAL AUTHORITIES. HE WAS UNABLE TO FIND STONER AT HIS LAST KNOWN PLACE OF RESIDENCE IN ATLANTA. CONNOR SAID HE KNEW STONER IS A FORMER KLANSMAN IN CHATTANOOGA, TENN, THAT HE IS CAPABLE OF BOMBING, AND POSSIBLY CONNECTED WITH BOMBINGS IN CHATTANOOGA. CONNOR SAID HE BELIEVES HIS INFORMANT MIGHT BE CONNECTED WITH ATTEMPTED BOMBINGS OF THE TEMPLE BETH-EL IN BIRMINGHAM APRIL TWENTYEIGHTH, AND INDICATED HE WILL SUBMIT INFORMANT-S NAME WITH A GROUP OF OTHER NAMES TO THE FBI LAB FOR THE PURPOSES OF HAVING FINGERPRINTS CHECKED WITH THOSE ALREADY SUBMITTED IN THAT BOMBING. CONNOR STATED HE CONTEMPLATES CALLING INFORMANT THE NIGHT OF THIS DATE IN AN ATTEMPT TO ARRANGE FURTHER MEETINGS WITH INFORMANT TO OBTAIN SPECIFIC INFORMATION AS TO INFORMANT-S ASSOCIATION WITH STONER SO THAT INFO CAN BE FURTHER EVALUATED. ATLANTA LETTER TO BUREAU
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SEPT. FIVE, FIFTYTWO ENTITLED QUOTE CHRISTIAN ANTI-JEWISH PARTY, IS DASH X UNQUOTE REFLECTS H. B. YORK, PRINTER, TWO NINE THREE FAIR STREET, ATLANTA, SAID HE WAS IN RECEIPT OF REQUEST FROM J. B. STONER TO PRINT ONE THOUSAND APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THIS PARTY. A HIGH KLAN OFFICIAL AND SECURITY INFORMANT, ATLANTA OFFICE, ADVISED THAT J. B. STONER WAS ORIGINATOR OF CHRISTIAN ANTI-JEWISH PARTY, THAT STONER WAS FORMERLY MEMBER CHATTANOOGA KLAVERN THREE SEVENTEEN AND BANISHED IN NINETEEN FORTYFOUR. STONER REJOINED THIS KLAVERN IN NINETEEN FORTYNINE AND WAS AGAIN EXPELLED IN JAN. NINETEEN FIFTY FOR MAKING A MOTION AT KLAN MEETING TO THROW ALL JEWS OUT OF CHATTANOOGA. THIS INFORMANT DESCRIBED STONER AS BEING EXTREMELY RADICAL. COMMISSIONER CONNOR MADE A REQUEST THAT THIS BUREAU ATTEMPT TO LOCATE PRESENT WHEREABOUTS OF J. B. STONER AFTER RESULTS OF ANY FURTHER INFORMATION FROM CONNOR-S INFORMANT. UACB, BH OFFICE WILL THEREAFTER SET OUT LEADS FOR ATLANTA AND APPROPRIATE OFFICES TO DETERMINE J. B. STONER-S WHEREABOUTS AND HIS ACTIVITIES. SUGGEST NO LEADS BE SET OUT TO HAVE STONER INTERVIEWED AND BE LEFT TO THE DISCRETION OF THE BH PD AND JACKSONVILLE PD. CONNOR MADE IT CLEAR THAT HE

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DID NOT WANT STONER TRIED IN BH, BUT WANTED HIM, IF POSSIBLE,
TRIED IN FLA., WHERE IT IS A CAPITAL OFFENSE TO BOMB A SYNAGOGUE.
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URGENT 5-12-58 JNL 1-06 P CST

TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SACS ATLANTA AND BIRMINGHAM

FROM SAC, JACKSONVILLE /105-64/ 1 P

RACON, JACKSONVILLE, FLA., BOMBING OF JACKSONVILLE JEWISH CENTER
SYNAGOGUE AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL /NEGRO/ APRIL TWENTY-
EIGHT, FIFTYEIGHT. REMYTEL MAY SIX, FIFTYEIGHT. CONTACT WITH LOCAL
LAW ENFORCEMENT, JACKSONVILLE, INDICATES INDIVIDUAL APPEARED AT BIRM-
INGHAM PD AND STATED HE WANTED TO CLAIM REWARD FOR BOMBINGS AND NAMED
ONE J. B. STONER, ATLANTA, GA., AS BEING RESPONSIBLE THEREFOR. STONER
ALLEGEDLY DRIVES CHEVROLET AUTOMOBILE. JACKSONVILLE PD AND SO HAVE BEEN
ATTEMPTING TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT STONER MIGHT HAVE BEEN IN JACK-
SONVILLE ON NIGHT OF BOMBINGS, HOWEVER, HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO DO SO.
JACKSONVILLE INDICES REFLECT ATTORNEY J. B. STONER, THIRTYTWO YEARS OF
AGE, P. O. BOX FOUR EIGHT, ATLANTA, GA., BEING CONNECTED WITH UNITED
WHITE PARTY. BUREAU REFERRED TO ATLANTA AIRTEL DATED MARCH THIRTYONE,
FIFTYEIGHT, ENTITLED QUOTE UNITED WHITE PARTY, IS DASH X UNQUOTE, BUREAU
FILE ONE ZERO FIVE DASH SIX SIX TWO THREE THREE, WHICH AIRTEL TRANSMIT-
TED LETTERHEAD MEMO. STONER-S NAME MENTIONED PAGE SIX LETTERHEAD MEMO.
CLOSE LIAISON BEING MAINTAINED WITH LOCAL OFFICIALS AND BUREAU WILL BE
ADVISED OF FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, JACKSONVILLE (105-64)

BACON, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, BOMBING OF
JACKSONVILLE JEWISH CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND
JAMES WILSON HIGH SCHOOL (NEGRO), 4/23/58

ReJairtel 4/23/58.

There follows summary of info developed as result
of liaison in instant matter:

Following the bombing in Jacksonville, officers of
Bade County Sheriff's Office came to Jacksonville for the
purpose of comparing results of their investigation of the
bombing in Miami with that in Jacksonville. Arrangements
for exchange of info between the two departments were
made.

Assistant Chief of Police H. V. BRANCH, Jackson-
ville PD, advised on 4/23/58 that demolition experts from
the Naval Air Station, Jacksonville, examined the scenes
of the two explosions for the purpose of endeavoring to
locate additional fragments or other items of evidence in
an effort to furnish data of investigative assistance.
According to BRANCH, these demolition officers located
only a few bits of additional fragments but were not able
to furnish any other info of value.

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LANDA DOMAINS LOWMAN, a suspect who reportedly made strong anti-Jewish and anti-Negro remarks in Jacksonville prior to the bombings, is no longer considered a logical suspect by the Jacksonville PD in view of the info developed by the FBI regarding the background of suspect in Baltimore.

BRANCH advised on 5/2/58 that, in view of the info furnished by the Montgomery, Ala., PD confirming the presence there of RAYMOND G. BRITT until as late as 7:30 PM, Sunday, 4/27/58, he did not believe that BRITT could have returned to Jacksonville in time to participate in the bombings. No other data has been developed by the Jacksonville PD or Sheriff's Office to implicate BRITT.

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Suspect [redacted] identified as being in possession on Saturday night, 4/26/58, of one and three-fourths cases of Hercules dynamite sticks, 500 feet of orange colored fuse, and one long giant jelly (soft type) stick of dynamite, 3 to 4 inches in diameter and 80 inches long, which he was attempting to coil.

[redacted] was arrested Friday evening, 5/2/58, when the police received a tip as to his identity and the fact that he possessed dynamite which was stolen from the J. S. Craggs Construction Company, of Seale, Fla., which is engaged in a road construction job in Clay County, near Doctor's Inlet, Fla., at the present time. [redacted], who has been [redacted] for the Craggs Company, when arrested, was considerably under the influence of liquor and was still drunk when questioned Saturday morning, 5/3/58, by police officers. [redacted] admitted stealing the dynamite but also claimed that he obtained the giant jelly-type stick from the Craggs storehouse. Officials of the Craggs Construction Company confirmed the theft of the two boxes of dynamite but do not believe the giant jelly stick of dynamite was in their storehouse. [redacted] did not have the dynamite or other materials in his possession at the time of arrest but led the officers to the place where he had concealed this material in Doctor's Inlet. He claimed

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that following the dynamite bombings, his girl friend told him to get rid of the materials or he would be considered a suspect in the bombings. He claimed that he disposed of the fuse by throwing it in an unidentified creek. When the dynamite sticks were located, no dynamite caps were found, and [redacted] claims he possessed none. Jacksonville PD officers do not now believe [redacted] is involved in instant bombings. He is to be turned over to Clay County authorities for prosecution for theft of dynamite.

[redacted]

Officials and law enforcement officers representing 29 cities in 8 states in the South met on Saturday morning and afternoon, 5/2/58, at the Roosevelt Hotel, Jacksonville, Florida, upon the invitation of Mayor HAYDON BURNS to exchange info in connection with the numerous bombings which have occurred in the South during the past year or more and which Mayor BURNS and Jacksonville PD felt were linked because of similarities in modus operandi. Exchange of info between the investigating officers of the various cities took place, following which H. V. RHANEN, Assistant Chief of Police, Jacksonville, was designated to head a clearing house which would digest and channel info and leads turned up by law enforcement agencies and individuals.

WILFRED WILKIN, National Factfinding Director of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, was called before the meeting during which he made a report of the results of investigation conducted by his organization and made available a list of several hundred names of persons known to have expressed intention of violence or who have committed terrorist acts. Officers present at the meeting also visited the scenes of the bombings.

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[redacted] Confidential Source, advised that meeting sponsored by the NAACP at Jacksonville Sunday, 5/4/58, was in nature of usual annual membership drive but publicity attendant to bombings was reason for holding of

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meeting at this time. [redacted] stated that some \$305.00 was collected from those present to support the activities of the NAACP and that only about 25 persons submitted applications for membership. [redacted] stated that NAACP Chapter in Jacksonville has always been extremely weak and that other colored organizations have been and are much more influential. [redacted] expressed the opinion that except for the timing of meeting, which brought some 400 or more persons to attend the meeting, ordinarily there would only be some 25 or 30 persons present. He observed a number of persons in attendance who never attend organizational meetings. According to the program of the meeting, its purpose was "reaffirmation of purpose day" and was sponsored by the NAACP Branch of Jacksonville. All persons on the speakers program were Negro ministers of Jacksonville with the exception of CLARENCE B. WASHINGTON, President of the Jacksonville Branch. ROBERT W. SAUNDERS, Field Secretary of the NAACP of Tampa, Fla., made the principal address and furnished to reporters a mimeographed copy of his speech. He told the meeting that the bombings of the synagogue and the James Weldon Johnson High School did much to move many American citizens into realizing that now is the time to stop the small band of racial terrorists operating in the South which sought to use force and violence to intimidate Americans of various colors and religions.

SAUNDERS, who stressed the need for Negroes to vote, told the group that "we recognize that our Governor and the Mayor of Jacksonville have taken unprecedented action to move in the general direction of enforcing the laws. We appreciate these efforts that ultimately will determine whether or not law will survive or succumb to violence."

ROY WILKINS, National Secretary of the NAACP, could not be present.

SAUNDERS criticized certain newspapers in the state for blaming present conditions on the decision of the Supreme Court in integration of schools. SAUNDERS stated that the meeting was to reaffirm the beliefs of the Negro to show opposition to anything not American and to "rededicate ourselves to the fight for complete freedom for all citizens."

Resolutions of the meeting were presented by Reverend W. B. BILBIE of the Laura Street Presbyterian Church and were approved by those in session. These resolutions are as follows:

"1. That we will invite all churches to open their doors in prayer for Divine guidance, starting Monday, May 5, open day and night, for two weeks.

"2. That we reaffirm our confidence in the law enforcement agencies of the city, county, state and federal governments to apprehend and convict the guilty parties that committed a crime against our fundamental rights.

"3. That we will use all lawful means to achieve those rights that are guaranteed to all citizens by the Constitution of this great nation.

"4. That we will encourage and advise our people to register and vote.

"5. That we will assume a Christian attitude toward the total problems that confront us; predicated on nonviolence and love.

"6. That we reaffirm our confidence in the objectives, and methods of the NAACP.

"7. Respectfully request the intervention of a full investigation by the Justice Department with cooperation of all law enforcement officers."

Confidential Informants in the Jacksonville Division have not been able to furnish any information concerning instant bombings.

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✓ FROM: Director, FBI (100-135-63)

BOMBING OF JEWISH CENTER AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON
JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, BOTH JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA,
APRIL 28, 1958, INFORMATION CONCERNING, (INTERNAL SECURITY).

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TO Director, FBI
FROM SAC, Atlanta (100-5755)
RE BOMBING OF JEWISH CENTER AND
JAMES WELDON JOHNSON JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL,
BOTH JACKSONVILLE, FLA., 4/28/58
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ReButel 4/30/58.

Contacts had with informants and sources, Atlanta,
AND advised they have no information indicating CP has
interest or is involved in any manner in bombings at
Jacksonville 4/28/58. Informants and sources alerted.

If additional info. received, interested offices
will be advised.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, JACKSONVILLE (105-64)

BOMB, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, BOMBING OF
JACKSONVILLE JEWISH CENTER SYNAGOGUE AND
JAMES WILSON HIGH SCHOOL (NECRO), 4/20/68

At approximately 12:30 AM, 4/20/68, an explosion, thought to be dynamite, occurred at the rear of the Jacksonville Jewish Center Synagogue, 202 Third Street, Jacksonville, Fla. No personal injuries or fire reported.

The Jacksonville Police Department instituted immediate investigation, and Miss MAY SMITH, 832 West 4th Street, whose garage apartment is immediately behind the site of the explosion, reported that she had observed a car which she believed to be a 1956 Chevrolet bearing a white license tag with dark or black numerals, A9, with possibly the other numbers being 1011, drive into the alley approximately 30 minutes before the explosion. Miss SMITH stated she observed a white male, apparently dressed in a light colored short sleeved shirt, get out of the car, which was parked with the headlights on, strike a match, and then re-enter the car and drive away. She thought the Chevrolet was cream colored. Miss SMITH was not positive concerning the four numbers 1011; however, she was positive that the license plate began with the letter A, followed by the number 9.

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At approximately 12:45 AM, DAWSON OPPENHEIMER, formerly connected with United Press and whose home telephone is listed under the United Press, received a telephone call and the calling party asked if this was the United Press. OPPENHEIMER told the caller, "No," to which the caller replied, "Is this RA 4-16907?" He said, "Yes, but," and the caller appeared to read a statement very fast. OPPENHEIMER described the voice as one speaking in a clipped speech and not being able to read too well. He identified the voice as an adult, white male. The statement reads as follows:

"This is the Confederate Underground. We've just blown up the Jacksonville Jewish Center of Integration. Every segregationist in the South must go free. All integration must stop. Furthermore, Jews will not be allowed to live in Florida except in Miami Beach or else they will die."

OPPENHEIMER interrupted the caller, asking who it was, and the caller replied, "General POWELL DE LEON from the Confederate Underground." The caller then made some reference to too many Negroes working in restaurants and then some reference to Negroes in schools. The caller then hung up. OPPENHEIMER immediately called the Police Department.

At approximately 1:00 AM, Mr. KEVIN LEMONS, proofreader with the "Florida Times-Union," reported that he received a telephone call from a person talking in a highly pitched voice who seemed very nervous. The caller asked if the newspaper knew about the blast, and, when LEMONS asked what the caller knew about it, the caller started talking very fast, apparently reading a written statement with the high points of the statement being the same as received by OPPENHEIMER except LEMONS remembered the caller saying that they were ready to kill every Negro who voted.

LEMONS interrupted the caller to ask if he had Klan connections, and the caller stated, "We are all over the South. We have connections everywhere. We are in touch with every group fighting for segregation."

The caller said the bombings would continue until segregation was firmly established and related that the Negro school had also been bombed. He said the school was not far from the Jewish Center and then hung up. The newspapers had not received information concerning the bombing of the Negro school at that time.

At approximately 1:25 AM, Rabbi SIDNEY H. LEFROWITZ, Minister of the Jewish Temple in the Riverside area, received an anonymous telephone call saying, "This is the Confederate Center of Information. We have just blown up your Jewish Center. All integration in the South must stop."

The Jacksonville Police Department received a call at 1:15 AM from a reporter on the "Florida Times-Union," who advised the police that the bombings were of the same pattern as used in Montgomery, Ala., several months earlier and that one RAYMOND C. BRITT, JR., who is now working in Jacksonville, was allegedly involved in the bombing in Alabama and had been tried and acquitted. This information was confirmed by a telephone call to Police Captain E. P. BROWN, Montgomery, Ala.

At approximately 1:30 AM, the Police Department received a report from HENRY HUDSON, 608 12th Avenue, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., and OTIS HARVEY, 815 NW 15th Avenue, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., to the effect that they had seen a tremendous explosion and flash of fire at the rear of the James Weldon Johnson Senior High School.

The Police Department has been unable to develop any other witnesses.

Two detectives investigating the bombings, after examining the scene of the explosion at the high school, stated that apparently the person or persons responsible placed the explosive material at a point on the concrete walkway alongside the brick wall which encloses the school library. This walkway leads from Eila Street at the back of the school to the main building on West 9th Street. The walkway is located between the library on the west and the cafeteria on the east and is covered by a roof. The explosion blasted a cone shaped depression in the sidewalk some 7 or 8 inches in diameter and some 2 inches in depth. The wall, which is some 16 or 20 inches west of the point of the explosion, was damaged somewhat at that point, with several of the bricks

being broken and some possible damage to the wall structure. Windows in the library and cafeteria, as well as along the walkway and in the school building to the north, were broken. Possibly one-third of the windows in the back of the building were blown out. According to the detectives, it appeared that the explosive used, possibly dynamite, was placed on the ground alongside the concrete retaining wall just above the walkway, which is some 6 feet deep at that point and leads to a basement double door into the building. A hole approximately 3 feet by 3 feet wide and some 18 inches deep was blasted at that point, doing damage to the concrete retaining wall for an area of some 3 feet wide and 2 to 3 feet downward. The metal guard rail at that point was blown downward and considerable damage was done to the double door basement entrance and a double door entrance immediately to the left and above the basement entrance. Damage was also done at several places along the brick wall of the building at that point and numerous windows in the auditorium were blown out.

At approximately 4:40 PM, 4/23/58, the "Florida Times-Union" City Desk got another call from a person thought to be identical with the previous caller. The caller threatened to dynamite the Labor Temple in Jacksonville and to "get" WALLACE HARRLOW, President of the striking bus drivers. It should be noted the Jacksonville Bus Company has been on strike for approximately 30 days and HARRLOW was pictured in the "Florida Times-Union" on Saturday, 4/23/58, holding his nose and a contract offered by the Jacksonville Coach Company, indicating that the contract offered did not smell good.

The "Jacksonville Journal," the evening newspaper, had on Saturday, 4/23/58, received a telephone call indicating that a bomb would go off over the week end at the Labor Temple and that the caller was out to "get" HARRLOW.

Contact with Jacksonville informants [redacted] and [redacted] indicated there have been no discussion of any such bombings insofar as the Independent Jacksonville Chapter of the Florida KKK and the Bedford Forrest Independent Chapter were concerned. [redacted] said there had been no indication of any such incidents mentioned at any of the States Rights or Citizens' Councils groups in Jacksonville.

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[redacted] advised that he has no information as to the perpetrator of the bombings but did say that RAYMOND C. BRITT, mentioned above, had been a delegate to a state meeting of the U. S. Klan held at Lakeland, Fla., on 4/29/58. During the trip to Lakeland, some of the individuals in the car with BRITT had been laughingly asking him to tell them about his participation in the bombings in Montgomery, Ala., but BRITT did not furnish any information nor did he admit his participation therein.

Contact with [redacted] on 4/29/58 revealed that he had attended a Klan meeting of the Independent Jacksonville Klavern of the Florida KKK on the night of 4/29/58 but there was no indication as to who was the perpetrator of the bombings.

Contact with Jacksonville Police Department on 4/29/58 indicates that BRITT was interviewed by members of the Police Department on 4/28/58 and that he has a blue 1956 Chevrolet. BRITT advised the PD that he left Jacksonville 4/26/58 in company of manager and announcer of WJAX, Montgomery, Ala., proceeded to Montgomery, and then returned to Jacksonville, arriving approximately 8:30 to 8:45 AM, 4/26/58.

Jacksonville PD continues its active investigation of the bombings and Governor COLLINS has indicated that the Florida Sheriff's Bureau, as well as his personal investigator, is available in the event they are needed. Senator JONES, of Starke, Fla., head of the Florida Legislative Investigating Committee, has allegedly sent RENNIS J. STRICKLAND, the Committee's chief investigator, to Jacksonville to assist. However, newspaper reports on 4/29/58 quote the Chief of Police as saying no outside agencies are participating in the investigation.

There is enclosed for the Bureau one copy of the article which appeared in the "Florida Times-Union" on 4/29/58.

All offices receiving copies of this airtel should be on the alert for any information as to the perpetrator of these bombings and immediately advise the Bureau and Jacksonville Office if such information is received. It is suggested

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that in the next contact with regularly approved and established Klan informants, an effort be made to determine whether any information is available concerning the automobile mentioned herein.

Bureau will be kept currently advised.

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AIRMAIL

TO : SAC, JACKSONVILLE

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA

SUBJECT: UNSUBS: REPORTED EXPLOSIONS JEWISH CENTER
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Atlanta Journal carries story on captioned explosions 4/28/58 stating explosions apparently set off by group identifying itself as "The CONFEDERATE UNDERGROUND".

At approximately 7:00 PM 4/28/58 [REDACTED]

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telephonically advised clerk this office that a fellow employee, GEORGE M. BRIGHT, has often talked over telephone relating his violent dislike of Negroes and Jews. [REDACTED] further stated this employees conversation led him to believe BRIGHT belonged to some type Anti-Negro and Anti-Jew organization. According to [REDACTED], BRIGHT did not show up for work today.

Above furnished for information

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TO SACS, JACKSONVILLE, ATLANTA, MIAMI AND NEW YORK

FROM DIRECTOR 1P

BOMBING OF JEWISH CENTER AND JAMES WELDON JOHNSON JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, BOTH JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, APRIL TWENTYEIGHT, NINETEEN FIFTYEIGHT, INFORMATION CONCERNING PARENTHESIS IS END PARENTHESIS. EACH OFFICE IS INSTRUCTED TO CHECK WITH LOGICAL CP INFORMANTS AND SOURCES AND ADVISE BUREAU IMMEDIATELY WHETHER OR NOT ANY INFORMATION RECEIVED INDICATING CP HAS INTEREST OR IS INVOLVED IN ANY MANNER IN THE BOMBINGS AT JACKSONVILLE, APRIL TWENTYEIGHT, INSTANT. ALERT INFORMANTS SO THAT BUREAU WILL BE APPRISED OF ANY POSSIBILITY THAT CP HAS BEEN OR WILL BE INVOLVED IN ANY ACTIVITIES OF THIS TYPE.

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